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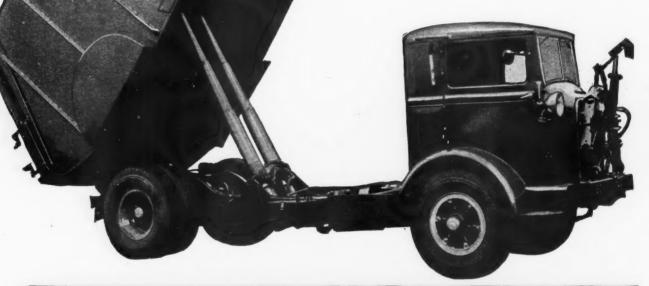
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A Follow-Up

THERE'S variety in this issue, and it matters not whether you are a vegetarian, a meatester or a starvation striker, you're certain to find something to interest you. A "must" article for everyone in the truck industry is the leading one on Ability Factors. It is a follow up of last month's editorial entitled "Will Trucks Be Made to Move Faster on Grades?" It presents the opinions of engineers. In requesting their opinions we asked that they think independently and speak frankly. Next month another group of engineers will speak.

Not a Crusade

A PPARENTLY in some quarters our June editorial conveyed the impression that we favored an ability rating of 4 per cent grade at 20 m.p.h. Such an impression carries with it the inference that we are engaged in a crusade. That is not the case, although we like a crusade as well as any publication and as a matter of fact-for your ears only -we have a crusade up our sleeves and mean to spring it shortly. Our present effort is purely one of exploration. We are striving to amass viewpoints which will be representative of the trucking industry and which will serve as an authoritative guide to legislators and regulatory authorities.



Davis & White, logging operators at Marysville, Wash., just bought 12 Kenworths for use in the world's largest logging operation. This one rides the wooden rails across a trestle. Power is supplied by a Buda engine. Front axle is a Timken; transmission and auxiliary are a Brown-Lipe. Brakes are Lockheed hydraulics with B-K Booster

Operators Must Speak

WE hope to receive and publish the viewpoints of fleet operators. We feel that the subject is important enough for every fleet operator to think about it, to form an opinion and to let us have it for the published record. We urge operators to read the questions on page 20 and to give us their answers. We'll be glad to publish them with or without names. Do it now for the good of the industry.

Build a Book Shelf

OUR electrical series got under way last month. The second article appears in this issue. This month we launch a carburetor series. It will take months to give fleet operators all the material we have gathered for these two series but when they are finished we will have given you a wad of practical information such as no publication has ever compiled. If you are wise you'll either clip the pages and file them or hold on to the issues.

Novelty by Deduction

WORKING on the theory that fleet operators are mechanically-minded and the mechanically-minded are generally racing enthusiasts we give you this month an account of the Indianapolis race from a technical viewpoint. If



Rochester Cartage Co., operates this traffic type Mack with a platform type body which, by means of an underbody hoist, is raised and lowered for loading and unloading purposes. When machinery is being pulled on the body by means of a winch, the body can be supported in a raised position by means of two 20-ton jacks at the rear



Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. has issued a lubrication chart which is designed to dramatize to operators lubrication requirements for all types of trucks and buses. Each type of transmission, steering gear, generator, etc., is illustrated showing the application and path of the lubricant and in turn is keyed with the chassis diagram. The entire chart is so keyed that it serves as a ready reference to lubrication requirements and positions.





Horton Motor Lines, Charlotte, N. C., has added two safety cars to its 300-truck fleet. The two Reo light delivery trucks will patrol the highways while drivers keep their eyes peeled for emergencies. Note the neat interior which includes such equipment as Pyrene foam and liquid fire extinguishers, first aid k't and stretcher, shovel, axe, bulbs, fuses, ropes, lamp pots, flags, certified measuring tapes and a camera

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you think it's a waste of good space howl a loud howl; if you like it, just sit tight until next year, same place, same time.

Our Hunt for Hinters

WE'VE another batch of Shop Hints for hint lovers, of whom we seem to have quite a bevy. We'd like to have twice as many each month. That should encourage you—and we do mean you—to send in the hint you've hesitated to send in for fear it might not be good enough. Send it in and let us judge its worth. The reward is still \$5 per hint.

Oh, Sludge!

A COUPLE of months ago we decided that sludge and sludging rated an article. It puzzled us to hear some operators speak of sludge with a hunted look, and others treat it lightly as a bit of harmless rubbish. So a staff man went out to investigate, interrogate and inquire and even to ask an occasional impertinent question. The result is we give you the whys and wherefores of sludge, and don't bother preparing yourself with a stiff slug of stimulant.

FREE

Mark X and mail, as usual, to the Editor, Commercial Car Journal, Philadelphia.

- ☐ A—An engine bearing service manual, highly recommended.
- ☐ B—Fleet Operators cleaning manual by Magnus.
- C—Ahlberg anti-friction bearing manual and catalog.
- ☐ D—Budd dual wheel and parts catalog.

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No. Trucks No. Cars



Dodge designed this truck especially for carrying passengers in field operations. Capacity is 15 persons. Compartments under the driver's seat and at the rear provide room for tools, etc. The tarpaulin may be removed when desired



A special crane mounted on this 4-5 ton heavy-duty Federal simplifies the tree moving and planting operation at the World's Fair site in New York. The crane is operated by two power winches

And So Forth

THAT by no means summarizes the issue, but we can't go on talking this way for pages. You'll find something on painting, on the trends of legislation and on the Scott case which some day may be famous. Also there are revised Semi-Trailer and Third Axle Specifications.

For That Book Shelf

AHANDSOMELY-PRINTED. sumptuously-bound, 82-page book entitled "The Autocar Line" has just come off the Autocar promotional line. Copies are scarce but if you really want one you've a good chance of getting it by writing Robert F. Wood, Advertising Manager, Autocar Co., Ardmore, Pa., and saying CCJ sent you.



Dodge also offers this 109-in. wheelbase truck of 1½-ton capacity with a cab-over-engine conversion and a special dump body. The dump body side is hinged and the rear gate slants, all providing added load space.

A hydraulic hoist does the dumping



This smart &-passenger suburban car body is mounted on a GM truck chassis. By removing the two rear seats a load space of 32 sq. ft. is available for light delivery purposes. A drop-door luggage compartment is at the rear

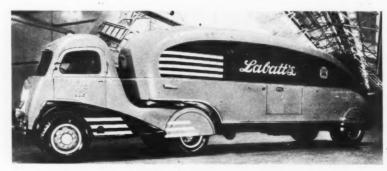
Seeing is Seeing

A PROVISION in the new California motor vehicle code requires 85 per cent of the current from the battery to be delivered to the last marker light.

Around for \$1,500

FROM a bulletin of the Automobile Shippers, Inc., Detroit: "The other day a fellow rounded a curve too fast and an old man pushed the truck off the highway. Results:

A new tractor demolished	\$1,195,00
A telephone pole snapped	98.00
A home owner's yard and and-	
scape damaged	75.00
Sending tractor for trailer	40.00
Wrecker Service	35.00
Returning wrecked tractor to De-	
troit	40.00
Telephone calls	2.50
Investigation by our road man	10.00
Total results of too fast driving	\$1,495.50



This is another of the Labatt (Canadian Brewer) specials streamlined for style and utility. Tractor is a White model 812 with a 109-in, wheelbase and powered by a 318 cu. in. engine. Trailer is a Fruehauf on which is mounted a body designed by Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky and built by Smith Bros., Toronto. The unit has an overall length of 35 ft. and width of 96 in. Capacity is 35,000 lb.



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From nearly beneath this department's window a passenger car was started for Detroit last week to make a "demand" demonstration of an automatic transmission that had been fitted to it. The transmission is a product of an industrial manufacturer who has not heretofore been seriously connected with the automobile business. The demonstratees could find nothing amiss despite numerous trials and now series negotiations are in progress. It may make the automobile show as standard equipment.

Spring Sprite

This department's overworked passenger car agent has hinted that one of the new models will be sprung entirely by coil springs. He has given us no indication that the rear wheels will be independently sprung although the front wheels will be.

Windshield Wiper

One of our talented agents worked his way through the defenses of a company that is usually successful in keeping dark new announcements until they are made formally and he found that a new windshield wiper is about ready for marketing. It is electric, more compact and dependable and of unusual interest, lower priced.

Piston Paradox

It will seem like 1924 again when the trend stories for the new models all say "aluminum pistons make gains," but that is exactly what will happen. Some of the manufacturers who have never used aluminum pistons will adopt them without much comment and perhaps one who deserted the aluminum standard for cast alloy will return. The cast alloy, it is reported, have been giving acute misery.

Trailer Total

According to Director Wm. L. Austin of the Bureau of Census, who should know, there were 2519 truck trailers sold last year for \$2,296,444 and 23,875 semi-trailers went into operation and these cost the operators \$27,421,763. The passenger car trailer business which everybody seems to be steamed up about produced more trailers but sold them for considerably less money. Census details are on page 66.

Capital Converter

Our Mid-West operatives would not be at all content with this month's effort unless we made mention of a new oilburning carburetor which has impressed them very deeply. All they have told us so far is that it has a spark plug in the carburetor and that the test cars give reTransport Equipment Co., Erie, Pa., built this cab-over-engine furniture truck on a Ford chassis using a Tandem axle manufactured by Perfection Steel Co., Galion, Ohio. The van is 28 ft. long, 92 in. wide and 10 ft. 6 in. high overall. Capacity is 1200 cu. ft. There is an underslung cabinet between the front and rear axle which measures 9 ft. long, 12 in. high and 30 in. deep. An underslung cabinet aft of the rear axle is used for small objects. A spare tire is carried in a compartment entered from the rear and integrally locked with the rear doors. The tail gate mounted on roller bearings slides under the rear of the body when not needed

markable performance along with good economy. All of this except the bit about the spark plug describes every device of this kind, so we hope to be more specific before long.

Bearing Bible

Albert B. Willi, chief engineer of the Federal Mogul Corp., has compiled a book on engine-bearing troubles and their remedies that this department thinks is the "berries," the "nuts," and then some. It is listed on the coupon on opposite page and opportunity knocks at your door.

Fog Feature

Wm. R. Walker of the Enterprise Transfer Co., Chicago, Ill., is importing a light from England that comes with an imposing number of claims. In addition to illuminating an area 100 ft. wide without glare to an oncoming driver, the light is said to penetrate fog, and rain and snow are invisible in its rays.

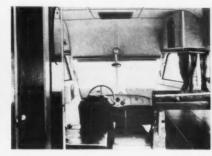
Fleet Fruit

About 13 months ago this department covered itself with glory by uncovering a description of a low horsepower, heavy axled, light bodied city delivery truck being built by a fleet in a fleet shop. Now we can report that car No. 1 is so successful that 10 more are being built to extend the test against other vehicles.

Model Mart

Practically at press time the magazine of which this department is a subsidiary found that the Diamond T announcement would not arrive in time so this department scooted into action and warns you that a description of a new 1-1½-ton description will appear next month. It involves a new engine of about 220 cu. in, and some swell styling.





Indian Trails, of Owosso, Mich., built this unusual touring-cabin body and mounted it on a Dodge 1½-ton truck chassis. Parking difficulties are thus eliminated. Inside, the driver sits on a single seat. Additional seating space is provided by the seat at his right as well as the seats on the wall sides at the rear and left of him. Note window shades on wind-shield and side windows

BELIEVING that an essential contribution to the Ability Factor subject would be one absolutely free of sales and operator influence, Commercial Car Journal addressed four questions to truck factory engineers. To encourage independence of thought and absolute frankness, it promised that opinions published would not be identified with the persons expressing them. Here are the questions:

I. Do you personally consider slow-moving vehicles a safety hazard on hills?

II. What ability factor (per cent grade in miles per hour) do you favor for trucks and combinations?

III. If ability factor regulation is adopted should it have a "grandfather clause" What time extension would you give existing equipment?

IV. What effects do you foresee on truck design if a 4 per cent at 20 m.p.h. ability factor is imposed?

Replies received in time for this issue are given here. Other replies will be published next month. Comments of all readers are wel-

Comments of all readers are welcomed and will receive similar treatment.

For previous editorial discussion of the subject see "Will Trucks Be Made to Move Faster on Grades?" Editorial on page 34 of June issue.



ENGINEERS FAVOR DIJUCTON

DISCUSSION CONDUCTED By GEORGE T. HOOK, Editor

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HE precise manner in which one engineer arrived at his conclusions is evident in this contribution:

"I have made a very careful study of data which you publish in Commercial Car Journal. From this I was able to determine what the various engine and truck manufacturers who build their own engines claim in the way of horse-power developed per cubic inch of displacement. Next I developed a formula that determines the horse-power required to move a vehicle at a given speed on a given road and grade. Here it is:

$$\frac{(Rr + Rg) \times G.V.W. \times S}{33000 \times E} = H.P.$$

Rr = Rolling resistance = .012 pound per pound G.V.W.

Rg = Grade resistance = .01 pound per pound G.V.W. per each per cent grade G.V.W. = Gross vehicle weight in pounds

S = Speed in feet per minute
33000 = Pounds feet per minute in 1 H.P.

E = Efficiency = .90

H.P. = Horsepower

Applying this formula I arrived at the following data, which led me to my

Displace- ment	Maximum H.P. per	R.P.M. for		.W. @ 20. M.P. ngine in each	
Cu. In.	Cu. In.	Max. H.P.	3% Grade	4% Grade	5% Grade
-200	0.44	3500	27000	22500	19000
200-250	0.336	3200	31000	25500	21500
250-300	0.298	2800	34500	28500	24000
300-350	0.275	2700	38000	31500	26500
350-400	0.268	2600	41750	34500	29000
400-450	0.264	2450	45000	37250	32250
450-500	0.256	2400	47500	39250	33250
500-550	0.237	2300	50500	41750	35250
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T the time of going to press eight engineers had sent in their replies to the questions shown in the opposite corner. These eight engineers represented truck manufacturers who were responsible for 51.73 per cent of the new trucks registered in the United States in 1936.

For the reader's convenience and in the hope of arriving at a mass opinion, the replies are grouped by questions. Each engineer has been assigned a number which precedes his reply to each of the four questions. In this way you may, if you wish, ascertain the replies of a particular engineer to all four questions.

Let it be understood that every answer is a direct quotation. In no case has the editor permitted himself to make an interpretation.

Here are the questions and the answers:

I Do you personally consider slow-moving vehicles a safety hazard on hills?

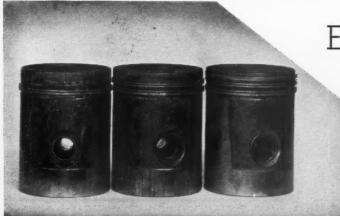
1. Slow-moving vehicles unquestionably present a hazard. Wherever roads are hilly or winding the presence of a vehicle which is moving materially slower than the traffic stream is particularly hazardous as it incites following drivers to attempt passing where sufficient clear space ahead is lacking.

2. Discussion with numerous drivers of both trucks and passenger cars as well as personal observation indicate that slow-moving vehicles on hills are a definite safety hazard.

3. Our answer to your first question would be, yes.

4. I do personally consider slowmoving vehicles a safety hazard on hills. It is, however, a matter of degree, depending on how slow-moving the vehicles are and how difficult they are to pass.

5. I certainly do consider slow-moving vehicles a safety hazard on hills (TURN TO PAGE 54, PLEASE)



EDITOR'S NOTE

Since sludge and sludging is becoming a popular topic of conversation wherever fleet men gather, Commercial Car Journal started out to get the facts. The information given in this article is a blend of data gathered from fleet operators, refinery technicians and lubricant consultants.

Above—Piston rings stuck with sludge. Right—Water emulsion in the oil pan

SLLDGE Panned by Experts

Who Let Down Their Hair and Tell What It is, What It Does and What Can Be Done About It

LUDGE can cause the fleet operator misery by sticking piston rings so that they fail to give an adequate piston-to-cylinder seal, by sticking valves so that they fail to seat accurately and promptly and in severe cases by plugging oil lines. However the mere presence of a moderate amount of sludge in the oil pan is not evidence that sludge is doing any of these things. Whether or not sludge is causing high maintenance costs is something that each operator will have to decide for himself taking into consideration all of the factors of his own operation.

If, for instance, piston rings seem to be giving normal service before replacement, it is necessary to determine if that so-called normal life could not be extended if sludging were eliminated. If valve-grinding periods can be stretched out by eliminating sludge, then sludge is interfering with normal operation. But because the life of these

parts and the inspection periods vary so much depending upon the type of service it is just as involved a process to determine the importance of sludge as it is to determine the inspection interval.

The word "sludge" seems to have two accepted definitions. Among refiners and lubricant technicians the word is synonomous for the hard flinty substance that gathers inside the engine. Actually this substance consists of a very hard material composed of particles of carbon held together with an asphaltene mixture which acts as a binder, next to the engine surface. Next is a semi-solid material of the same composition in the process of becoming a very hard solid and on top of that is a layer of dirty oil substance which is in

the process of becoming semi-solid. The top two layers can be washed or scraped away easily but the last layer sticks tight.

FLEET operators look upon sludge as the mass of black impurities which gathers in the engine internals and will not flow. This substance is made up of refiner's sludge and an emulsion of water from condensation and the lubricant itself. All together it is a black gelatinous or mushy mixture. An analysis of this crankcase jelly has shown it to contain as high as 90 per cent water. It seems safe to assume that some fleet operators are suffering from either or both kinds of sludge without suspecting it. It is also possible that some fleet



By HENRY JENNINGS
Technical Editor, Commercial Car Journal

operators are unduly alarmed over small amounts of either kind of sludge which may not be doing any particular harm.

The water which gets into the crankcase and causes the mushy mess gets in through the carburetor in the form of hydrogen in the gasoline. When combustion takes place the hydrogen burns away to water and with increased compression ratios and consequent compression pressures a larger percentage of this water, that used to go out the exhaust system as steam, is forced by the increased pressure down past the piston rings where it condenses in the crankcase and forms an emulsion with the crankcase lubricant. Added to this is the normal condensation of the air in the crankcase due to rapidly changing temperatures. Temperature control of the engine has a great deal to do with its sludging propensities.

The refiner's sludge is a product of oxidation or combustion. The chemical

structure of the oil changes and asphaltenes are released that are insoluble in naptha but which will dissolve in cloroform or benzine. These combine with carbon particles and form a dry sludge. There is only about 1/10 of 1 per cent of foreign matter in dry sludge. So long as this mixture forms in the oil pan no harm is done but when it forms in piston ring grooves or on valve stems it will stop efficient functioning of these parts.

DISCOLORATION of the oil in itself is not a symptom of sludge formation nor is it much of an indication that the oil has lost its lubricating quality. Oil heated to 200 deg. for 100 hours in a perfectly clean test tube will darken. Technically this is the first step in the transition from oil to some other substance and therefore not desirable but, practically, slight discoloration does not mean much to the fleet operator. Oil

that shows clear on a dip stick when used in an engine equipped with a good oil filter will be dark if drained and viewed in a bottle. Still on any known analysis of crankcase drainings this sample may show that it is perfectly good crankcase lubricant. If it is not, the inadequacy will be due to some factor other than one having to do with the discoloration. These statements do not apply to the black opaque drainings which carry a large percentage of colloidal materials, among them carbon.

Most fleet operators can remember attempting at some time in their careers, to relieve sticky valves by pouring kerosene or carbon tetrachloride through the choke of the carburetor or by letting the windshield wiper hose draw it from a container. This process, in a crude way, achieved the same results as the application of sludge solvents or removers do in a scientific

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1. Lubricating Gun By J. L. LYDEN Phillips Bros. Coal Co. Pittsburgh

WE have made a rear axle lubricant gun that comes in especially handy when a truck breaks an axle shaft at the differential and it is necessary to remove the rear cover plate to remove the broken end of the shaft on the road. It is a problem to get enough lubricant into the housing to last until the truck gets back to the garage. We also use this gun at the mine and in the yard.

The gun was made from a discarded

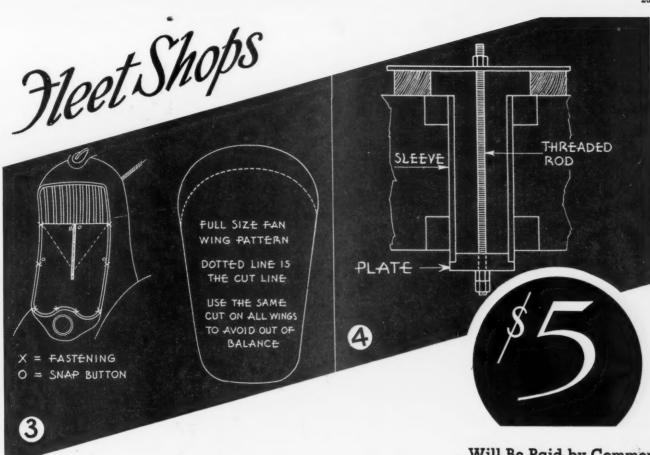
fire extinguisher, the body of which was in condition to be used as a tank. The hose connection on the top was closed with a cap and then a hole was drilled in the shoulder at the top and a piece of ½ in. copper tubing was pushed through the hole so that it came to about 34 in. of the bottom of the tank. It was cut off at the top so that it projected about 4 in. above the shoulder. It was securely soldered into place.

A ½ in. hose was clamped to the tubing and for an outlet we used a Schrader No. 8250 chuck although a gear oil nozzle would have been better, connecting it by means of a reducer and a length of ¼ in. iron pipe. The screens in the chuck were removed and the ferrule at the nozzle closed and used as a cap to prevent drippage. A

gasket under the cover and a tire valve made tight with sheet lead gaskets completed the job. It was tested by filling to the top with water and attaching tire service hose with 150 lb. pressure. Thereafter it was filled with air from the paint gun line, using the regulator limit set to a pressure of 50 lb. which proved sufficient if the tank is filled with 2/3 lubricant and 1/3 air.

2. Cotter Key Remover
By EARLE J. SEWARD
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.
Lansing, Mich.

REMOVING cotter keys in inaccessible places especially on the later model vehicles has presented difficulties and loss of time in completing the job. The removal of the key often takes more time than the adjustment of the clevis. To over come this difficulty we constructed a cotter key remover (shown in illustration) which has saved us a great deal of time and is used in



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We took a 5/16 in. steel rod, 16 in. long and tapered it to a point at one end. Then we bent the point end into a hook. Sliding on this rod is a cylindrical piece of cast iron or steel 41/2 in, long and drilled 11/32 in. longitudinally. On the hand end of the tool is a flat washer to prevent the weight from sliding off. The washer is held in place by peening the end of the rod. About one inch from the business end, the rod is drilled and a small cotter key is inserted to prevent the weight from coming off that end. Place the hook through the eye of the cotter key and use the weight as a hammer sliding it until it strikes sharply against the flat-washer. Three or four blows will remove the most obstinate cotter key.

3. Heat Control

By BILLIE BURGAN Hage's Ice Cream Co., Ltd

Hage's Ice Cream Co., Ltd. San Diego, Cal.

WE had a downtown delivery truck that ran too cool and after giving some thought to thermostats and pulleys we decided to cut down the fan. To begin with we made a full size paper pattern of a fan blade and carefully marked off the portion that we wished to cut off taking care to see that each blade was trimmed the same amount so that we did not create an unbalanced condition. We found that we could raise the water temperature about 5 deg. for every ¼ in. that we cut off the fan blades. In addition we made a zipper radiator cover in our trim shop which we used in connection with the cut down fan. The combination works perfectly and we are now able to keep the truck operating at 175 deg.

Stud Removal

When a forward exhaust manifold stud breaks on some of the newer model trucks and cars we drill it for removal with a long shank (rod welded to drill) drill inserted through a hole in the fender in line with the stud. Removing the wheel permits the drill to operate under the fender. When finished we fill the fender hole with a round head stove bold and dab it with black paint.

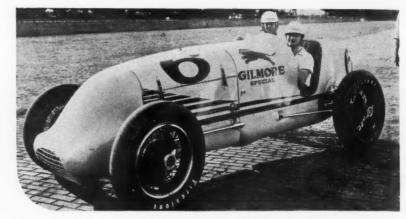
4. Sleeve Puller By JOHN BLOM

Blom Brothers, Pleasantville, N. J.

REMOVING a wet sleeve is a difficult job. The book issued by the truck manufacturer suggests placing a wooden block between the bottom of the .. Will Be Paid by Commercial Car Journal for Each Shop Hint Accepted. Ideas Count—No Matter How Rough. We Will Polish Them Up for Publication

sleeve and the crankshaft and then turn the engine over with a crank. This will work sometimes but often it is impossible to remove sleeves this way after they have been in service for a while. Some mechanics resort to driving the sleeve up from the bottom of the engine with an edged piece of steel. This is a hard way to remove the sleeve and there is danger of breaking it if the tool slips.

We made a round piece of steel step cut that fits the bottom of the sleeve and in this plate we drilled a hole. Now we remove the sleeve by screwing a nut down on a threaded rod which comes down through the sleeve and goes through the plate. Lock nuts below the plate keep the plate from slipping off and at the top is a bar of steel stock which we mount on two blocks to give room for sleeve movement.



Wilbur Shaw at the wheel of his record-breaking racer

M.P.H. for 500 Miles



Above—Checking front-end alignment. Below—Wheel-balancing, all a part of racing

Has Nothing Directly To Do With Trucks But Fleetmen Should Be Interested in the Lessons It Teaches. Back of Every Race Car As Back of Every Truck Are Careful Attention to Design, Maintenance and Skilled Operation





Below—Checking brakes on a dynamic brake machine. Right—Shaw and Johnson tuning-up



ILBUR SHAW demonstrated his ability at the work bench and at the steering wheel by completing the 500-mile race at Indianapolis at an average speed of 113.8 miles per hour. This demonstration was witnessed by about 170,000 persons who cheered wildly and recognized it as one of the world's greatest sporting events. It was really more than that. Shaw built and conditioned



a car to get the utmost in horsepower and then to turn the horsepower into speed. He was limited to 25 qt. of lubricating oil by rules just the same as fleet operators are limited by the dictates of economy. He was limited by the rules to the use of regular commercial gasoline and to 360 cu. in. of piston displacement.

In short Shaw, striving for mechanical efficiency, was handicapped by rules, which closely parallel economic laws for day to day operation. The greatest difference between the racing problem and that of truck operation is that in racing the mechanic seeks horsepower to propel a light car at high speed instead of a heavier vehicle at road speed. When rules limit the amount of oil and the type of fuel that can be used there

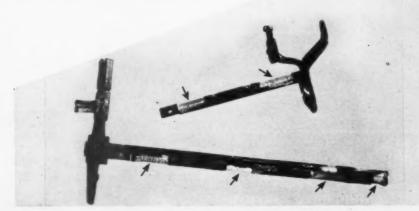
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ECONOMICAL carburetor maintenance like that of other units depends upon periodic inspection. Just when and how often the carburetor should be inspected no one seems able to say with any conviction because of the varying service that is the lot of carburetors in fleet operation. The movement of carburetor parts has more to do with the setting of inspection periods than does the mileage or the amount of gasoline that flows through them. A carburetor on a house to house delivery truck should receive some attention long before the carburetor on an over the road truck.

One of the best methods of setting carburetor inspection periods seems to be to synchronize them with the periods of fairly complete engine inspection. This reasoning is based on the fact that the same conditions that wear out an engine also wear out a carburetor. If this reasoning is good the carburetor should be removed from the engine and disassembled far enough to permit a thorough inspection. From these inspections a thorough overhaul period can be determined.

The success of the inspection depends upon the keenness of observation powers (TURN TO PAGE 90, PLEASE)



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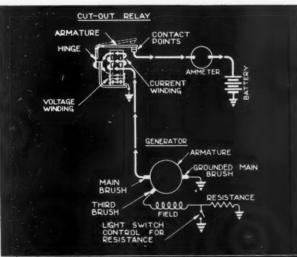
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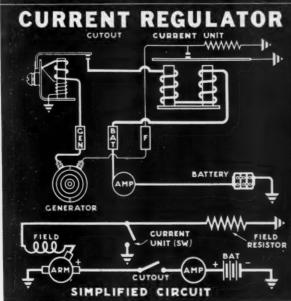
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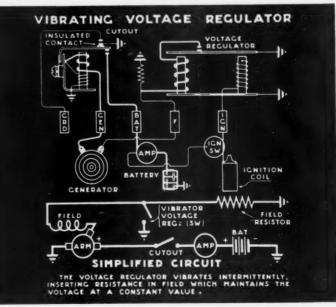
Current GULATOR-KEGULATOR-CIN-OUT RELAY EVOLTAGE 1



OPERATE

Electrical units are as easy to service as mechanical units, but you have to know how they operate before you can service them. Here is a detailed explanation on how they operate that is easy to understand. Articles on servicing particular units will be published in succeeding issues.





ELEGTRICAL 7

Don't let regulators fool you, there's nothing mysterious about them. A regulator is nothing more than a magnetic switch. And a magnetic switch is nothing but an electromagnet which opens and closes a circuit with a pair of contacts.

Anyone who has wrapped a few turns of wire around an iron core knows what happens when current flows through the wire. The flow of current causes a magnetic field in the core, it becomes an electromagnet.

Add an armature of iron or steel, hinged so it can move nearer or farther away from the core, a pair of contact points, one stationary and the other on the armature, and you have a magnetic switch.

The contact points can be arranged to either come together or be separated as the armature moves down toward the winding core. When the arrangement is such that the points come together, the mechanism has the essentials of a cut-out relay.

Illustrated in Fig. 1 is a cut-out relay shown schematically. There are two windings, a current or series winding consisting of a few turns of heavy wire through which the entire generator output must flow, and a voltage or shunt winding consisting of great many turns of fine wire, through which due to its high resistance, only a small amount of current passes.

The function of the cut-out relay is to close the circuit between the genera-

By WILLIAM H. CROUSE

tor and the battery when the generator is revolving at generating speed and to open the circuit when the generator falls below generating speed.

With the generator at rest, the cutout relay contact points are open. (Shown dotted) As the engine is started and the generator speed increases, there is but one path, external to the generator, through which the current can flow. This is, as indicated by the arrows, through the current winding of the relay, then the voltage winding, to ground. The direction of the magnetic fields of the two windings are seen to add.

The generator voltage increases with increased speed, which causes more current to flow through the cut-out relay windings. When the voltage reaches the value for which the relay has been set, it is forcing or "pushing" enough current through the windings to create in the core sufficient magnetism to overcome the armature spring tension. The armature is pulled down

toward the core, the contact points are closed, and current flows through the armature, through the points, to the battery as shown by the arrows. This current flows through the current winding in the right direction to add to the magnetic force holding the armature down and the points closed.

Should the generator slow to below generating speed or stop, current will begin to flow from the battery to the generator. The direction of current flow in the voltage winding is always the same, to ground, therefore its magnetic field is always in the same, direction. But with the direction or current flow in the current winding reversed, its magnetic field is reversed.

The two magnetic fields of the two windings now buck each other and the resultant magnetic force is no longer strong enough to hold the armature down. The armature is pulled up by its spring tension, the circuit is broken. Thus a cut-out relay is a magnetic switch which opens or closes a circuit in accordance to the voltage in the circuit.

REGULATORS are also magnetic switches which operate on a similar principle, but their function is somewhat different. A regulator's function is to limit a generator's output to a safe maximum or to reduce the output in accordance to the requirements of the connected electrical load and the condition of charge of the battery.

Regulators cannot increase generator output beyond the maximum for which the generator is designed.

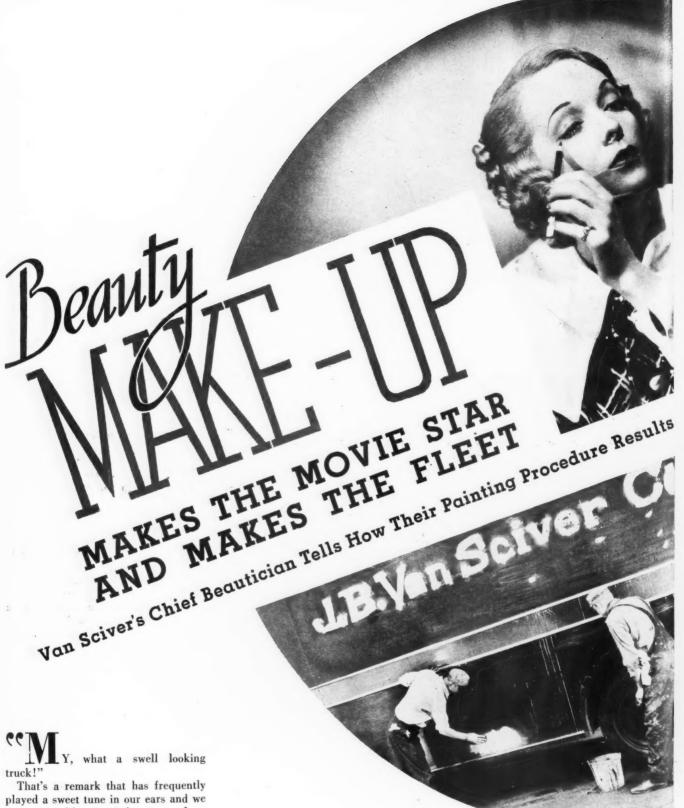
Anyone who has ever twirled a resistance knob knows that inserting a resistance in the generator field will reduce the generator output. The added resistance, of course, cuts down the amount of current flowing in the generator field windings, which in turn reduces the magnetic field strength and thus the generator output.

Chevrolet has used a light switch controlled field resistance for the past few years. This is shown schematically in Fig. 1. When the light switch knob is pushed all the way in, the generator field switch is open and the field is grounded through the resistance, thus resulting in a reduced generator output. If the light switch knob is pulled out to any other position, the field is grounded directly at the switch, allowing the generator output to increase. This is a manually operated switch.

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CURRENT & VOLTAGE REGULATOR
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Shown here are schematic drawings of voltage and current regulators discussed in the arcussed in the arcused to in the story as: Fig. 1, shown on the far left at top; Fig. 2, far left on bottom; Fig. 3, right of opposite page; Fig. 4, left.



That's a remark that has frequently played a sweet tune in our ears and we never tire of hearing it because as long as Van Sciver customers, as well as other disinterested persons, say it (unsolicited), we feel justified in following our paint and wash schedule. And for the benefit of others, it should be stated right here that our P&W (paint and wash) routine is anything but ordinary. Of course, good painting procedure has been conventionalized, and our shop-

men follow good painting procedure. But we also have another factor to consider and that factor is J. B. Van Sciver, Jr., himself—the man who is general manager of the furniture house of J. B. Van Sciver Co., Camden, N. J.,

with branches in Trenton, N. J., and Allentown, Pa.

You wonder what J. B. has to do with it? He insists that the appearance of the trucks be second to none and with such insistence to guide them,



Above is shown the latest addition to the Van Sciver fleet of 24 trucks. This "semi" measures 45 ft. and has a 2500 cu. ft. van capacity. It was finished in the Van Sciver paint shop. Left-Two views of the paint-process showing sanding and spraying respectively. When new equipment is purchased, Van Sciver takes them "raw" and builds up its own beauty finish.

of color with a clear finish on top of both long oil rubbing and flowing varnish and at both the beginning and finish of the job we use materials to our own specifications not commonly followed in fleet shops.

So when someone says, "My, what a swell looking truck," here is the process that went before:

That truck went through one of three refinishing processes. The first is a complete strip-down and refinish job. The second is a finish over the old paint and the third is a brightening-up process to remove tree markings and restore lustre. Let's discuss these in the order named.

IN the strip-down job we use a paint remover which we mix in our shop ac-

L. D. JOHNSON Superintendent of Maintenance, J. B. Van Sciver Co., Camden, N. J.

cording to our own for mula. This simply consists of equal portions of alcohol and benzol to which is added 2 oz. of parafine wax per gallon of solution. It is both economical and effective. The benzol acts as a highly effective

cutting agent; the alcohol helps dissolve the softened paint and the action of the wax is to stop too rapid evaporation due to high concentration of alcohol as well as to provide a "body" to the solution which must remain on the panel (without excessive running) for about 30 minutes. In preparation the alcohol and benzol are poured together and the wax is melted and poured in.

In action, the solution is applied with a brush over a large area and allowed to set about 30 minutes. This time factor varies. If the day is damp, the material evaporates slowly and consequently cuts the paint more quickly. If the day is dry, the material evaporates more quickly and consequently more solution has to be applied. Sometimes it is necessary to make two applications, depending both on the weather and number of old coats of paint on the truck. However, once the old finish is dissolved, it is removed by scraping with a wide putty knife.

The truck is then rinsed down two and sometimes three times with straight alcohol using a rag or sponge and it is

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our painters spare no efforts in the painting process. To date they have not failed to get J. B.'s nod of approval. But to get it, we use a painting routine which includes the use of both primer and surfacer, three to five coats

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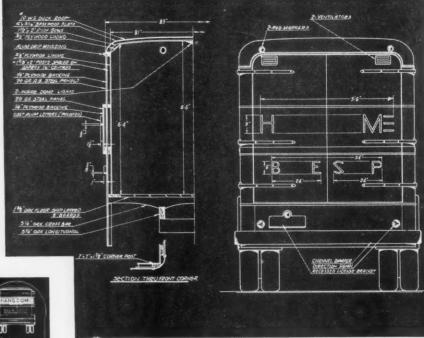
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In the trucking business, where the profit or loss is determined by the cost of distribution in which load capacity, and hence body design, plays an important part, a designer of equipment is distinctly a much needed service and an economy, not an expense. This article, written by a body designer, tells what services and benefits the fleet operator receives from the designer.



Left—Artist's drawing of the Hanscom body which is shown in detail and to scale above. Right—Designer Westberg at work. The Feigenspan

HANSCOM GARESHOP

SOME NEW(D) FACTS

ODAY as in no other time in the past can there be too much emphasis placed on the design and preliminary study of commercial bodies. Whether we look at it from the angle of the fleet operator or body builder there are worth while benefits to be gained by both.

Unlike designers in other modes of transportation such as railroads, airplanes and pleasure cars who are giving a great deal of emphasis to speed, appearance and production costs, commercial body designers have lagged far behind and are today just beginning to modernize the appearance and construction of bodies. It has been the most common practice in the past to either build a body from photographs or like some body previously built with minor changes to alter its appearance. With the constant development of new materials, stampings, etc., the possibilities open to the builder and fleet operator toward the development of truly modern commercial bodies are unlimited.

Before considering the detailed prob-

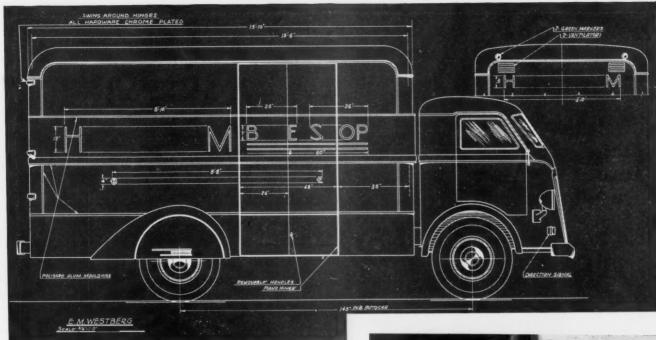
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DESIGNING

... Stripped to Bare Essentials for Fleetmen By a Designer Who Has Created Desirable Shapes; His Job is to Put Beauty and Utility In a Body to Fit the Vocation

By E. M. WESTBERG, Body Designer



trailer body and the stake body above it are also of his design and illustrate the possibilities of incorporating style with utility in body design

lems involved in creating and working out a new design, I would like to discuss the benefits to be derived both by the fleet operator and the body builder.

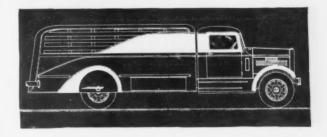
The fleet operator with the aid of a designer could create a body which would fit his vocation and do its work in the most efficient manner and at the same time in appearance it would be a distinct and attractive advertisement for his business. In addition to this a study of the proper materials of which to construct the body will allow the operator to prepare specifications to be followed in the building of the body. Thus having given this preliminary study, the designed body would have utility, appearance and sturdy and lasting construction.

A body builder, by preliminary study and design, can create a body which will best fit his production conditions, help him determine the cost of the body and aid him in the purchase of materials. Most important of all, he can create new designs of bodies to fit particular vocational needs. With each new vocational body designed for products such as milk, ice cream, bread or parcel packages the builder opens up a market for himself in that field.

Going back now to the actual design of a vocational body for a fleet operator, let us consider what transpires during the development of the body. In order not to limit the scope of materials, etc., possible to use let us consider fleet bodies in general rather than any one particular vocation. In this way we will get a much broader scope of requirements to be met and a better idea of available materials and where they may be best applied.

W HEN the designer enters the picture regardless of the vocation in which the body is to be used, he should first arrange a consultation to discuss requirements of the body. During these preliminary discussions the body is designed in word pictures of which the designer must make careful notes from (TURN TO PAGE 80)







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Corfection Decision

Motor Carrier Division Splits On Interpretation of the Federal Motor Carrier Act in Granting Contract Carrier Application to Scott Brothers, Inc.

A HIGH official of the Interstate Commerce Commission is credited with the prediction that supervision of trucks and buses is impossible of accomplishment under the Motor Carrier Act, due to the size of the job that Congress has wished on the Commission.

A decision just issued by Division 5, entitled "Scott Brothers Incorporated."

Collection and Delivery Service," illustrates the almost hopeless confusion now existing in the minds of both the Commission and the industry in any attempts to interpret the provisions of the Act. At the argument four different counsel expressed almost totally differing views as to what the statute means. Division 5, consisting of Com-

missioners Eastman, Lee and Caskie, found themselves floundering in such differing views that Chairman Eastman presented the decision with an apology, frankly admitting that the decision might form a basis for reconsideration by the Commission rather than as a final expression of its views. It was his thought that the light thrown on the subject by the two differing opinions might help to clarify the situation when the matter again is presented to the Commission.

Now Engaged in Private Practice in Washington

In the Scott Brothers case the corporation applied for a permit to engage in the business of a contract carrier. The corporation, wholly controlled by the Pennsylvania and Long Island railroads, which it served exclusively, performed a collection and delivery service in Jersey City, N. J., and certain portions of New York City. Since it performed no other service, its operations were a part of the railroad service, extending it to the points of delivery. The primary questions involved were whether the controlled service performed by the corporation rendered it a common carrier, a contract carrier, or merely an agent of the controlling railroads. It will be noted that the corporation had no relations whatsoever with the shipping public and its responsibility was wholly to the railroads employing the service. This creates a further question as to whether or not the acts of the corporation were the operations of carriers by rail rather than carriers by motor vehicle.

The majority opinion is long and (TURN TO PAGE 76, PLEASE)



Director, staff and field representatives of the National Highway Users Conference shown above are: (front row left to right) George Gray, Kansas City; J. H. Williams, assistant director; R. F. Britton, director; Dawes Brisbine, research counsel and author of the accompanying article; I. L. Smith, information. (Back row): John Gren, New York City; John Springer, San Francisco; Ray Blair, Little Rock, Ark.; P. D. McLean, Raleigh, N. C.; R. E. MacCleery, Boston; Ross Barrett, Jr., Chicago. One of the functions of the NHUC is to study and analyze policies of taxation, act as a coordinating agency and serve as a clearing house on information relative to national and state motor vehicle taxation and highway problems.

Prends of GISLATION

With Sights Trained On Legislatures Which Met This Year, the Author Discusses What Has Happened To-Date and What May Happen Later Concerning Fuel Taxes, Registration Fees, Diversion, Reciprocity, Regulation and Sizes and Weights

By DAWES E. BRISBINE, Research Counsel, National Highway Users Conference

EAR by year the problems confronting lawmakers have developed increasing perplexities. Normal sources of revenue diminished alarmingly during the years 1930 to 1936 and such fiscal improvements as may have been observed during the past eighteen months have not had time to be reflected in the receipts of state and local taxing agencies. Also, there has been widespread assumption of governmental responsibility for protection of the aged and jobless. To a large extent these new obligations have been forced upon the states. Devastating floods, widespread droughts, suffocating dust storms, and paralyzing strikes have added their burdens to the conscientious legislator.

This was the backdrop on the legislative stage as the curtain arose on the first act of 1937. Of the 43 legislatures holding regular sessions this year, all have adjourned except those of Illinois, Michigan, New Hampshire and Wisconsin, at the time this is written, and New Jersey, recessed in May, will have reconvened June 26.

In addition to those regularly assembled, a short special session was held in Kentucky. Alabama, carrying over from last year, did not adjourn its very busy special session until February 26. The legislatures of Louisiana, Missis-

sippi, and Virginia are the only ones that have not been seated during the present year.

More than 7000 bills thus far have been introduced directly affecting the motorist, highways, and highway transportation. Still more amazing is the fact that more than 1100 of these bills have already been written into the law of the land.

It is safe to assert that highway use has been the target of more bills and more enacted legislation than any other form of human activity during this

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EXAMPLES OF MODERN TRUCK

- I. TO AUTOCAR AND GERSTENSLAGER who built the chassis and body respectively, go credit for this splendid truck. The Autocar chassis is a model UD of 180-in. wheelbase. The Wooster, Ohio, body builder made this body to specifications of operators Haugh & Keenan of Pittsburgh. Somewhere under that body is a 68-gal. auxiliary tank.
- 2. FEDERAL built this attractive cab-over-engine stake job for St. Paul Bottling Co. The Federal is a model 75 of 132-in. wheelbase. Capacity is $1\frac{1}{2}$ to $2\frac{1}{2}$ -tons. The special low-floor bottler's body is 12 ft. long. 7Up rides high, wide and handsome on this truck.
- 3. WALTER'S heavy-duty dumper shown is a four-point-positive drive model FCRD with a 120 hp. engine. Capacity is 7-10 tons. The novel shaped body is a sugar scoop type of 8-yd. capacity. Twin telescopic hoists dump the body to an angle of 70 deg. and the rear of the body may be used for bulldozing when necessary.
- 4. GMC adds beauty and utility to the front-end while TRUX-MORE adds utility to the rear for this general express job. It is a model F 33 cab-over-engine GMC chassis of 160-in. wheelbase. The third axle is a model 30. The body is a semi-van, open top type 20 ft. long by 7 ft. 4 in. wide and 6 ft. 2 in. high. Gross load capacity is 34,000 lb. Covered with 22 gauge steel, the body has a wood understructure.
- 5. SIXTEEN tons is just pie for this powerful looking job. The FWD is a model T-40, and is equipped with an auxiliary axle. The open trailer body gets its lift from two powerful, hydraulic, telescoping hoists. Cleveland-Cliffs Iron Co., Green Bay, Wis., uses it for toting coal. FRUEHAUF trailer. GAR WOOD body and hoist.
- 6. THIS all-steel, all-welded trailer van was built by TRAILER CO. OF AMERICA and is mounted on a Trailmobile model H trailer chassis. Panels of the body are interlocking and welded

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into an integral unit. Panels are of corrugated steel. The effect of the corrugation is to protect the recessed lettering against scraping. The tractor is a model D INTERNATIONAL.

7. HIGHWAY TRAILER is no burden to Borden who operates this refrigerator body made by Highway and mounted on a model 77 Highway trailer chassis. Body is insulated in the floor, ceiling and walls. Its custom construction features an electrically welded floor pan and theft-proof locks and hardware. Tractor is a WHITE.

8. THIS improved F-type FRUEHAUF trailer has "snap" literally and figuratively. The panels of the body can be removed individually. Mouldings "snap on." Panels are backed with Plywood. Beneath the snap-on moulding are lapping type weather proof seams. Tailgate, uprights, cross-bars and roof bows now come as regular parts and the whole job is easily serviceable. Tractor is a CHEVROLET.

9. THIS attractive looking truck with stake body is a STEWART 2-3 ton job with de luxe cab. The body is full-skirted with a low-loading bed and is especially designed for case and barrel delivery. Krantz Distributing Co., Williamsville, N. Y., is the proud owner.

10. THIS nifty job is the creation of KINGHAM TRAILER CO. Trailer is a model H-30 on which is mounted a No. 70 vertical round front all-steel van 30 ft. long. Rear has a beaver tail. Nose features a special vent. The frame has a 14-in. drop. Tractor is a DIAMOND T.

11. REO built this truck especially for the weights and measure department of Lansing, Mich. The truck, used for testing large scales, is equipped with a power operated hoist and a lift block which travels on an overhead crane. (Note the rear close-up.) A total of 10 test weights of 1000 lbs. each and other equipment are toted about.







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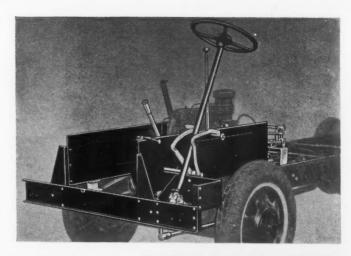
Gemmer Forward Control Conversion is Complete Package

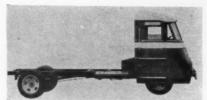
CONVENTIONAL trucks can be converted to camelbacks in the fleet shop by using the forward control conversion unit produced by the Wickett Motor Service Corp., Richmond, Ind. It comes disassembled in a small economic package known as the Gemmer Forward Control Conversion.

Included in the package is a heavy duty Ross steering gear which in conjunction with reinforcing leaves for the front springs and spring clips for installing them gives the front end greater capacity. The forward remote gear shift control is patented.

The driver is moved forward 45 in. to 57 in. and is supplied with a larger steering wheel and special brake and clutch pedals. All of the tubes, connections, starter control, etc., are supplied.

The unit which comes in four models can be easily installed and can be removed from one truck and installed upon another. Access to the engine is







Top—Forward control unit mounted on chassis. Above left—Shawing converted chassis.

Above right—Showing the remote control unit

provided through service plates on the sides or from the top and bottom. In most cases the engine can be completely removed in two hours. Units for export are handled by the Wayne Corp., Richmond, Ind.



THE York-Hoover Body Corp., York, Pa., has a new all steel body designed particularly for milk delivery, known as series 2000. This body is so constructed that it will mount on a wide range of chassis models.

York-Hoover All-Steel Body Has Sectional Construction

Features include two sectional sliding doors with entirely new lock which operates with a minimum of effort due

to the freedom offered by steel construction. Step wells are especially deep on each side.

A comfortable seat, new in design, drops at a touch beneath the steering wheel entirely out of the zone of driver

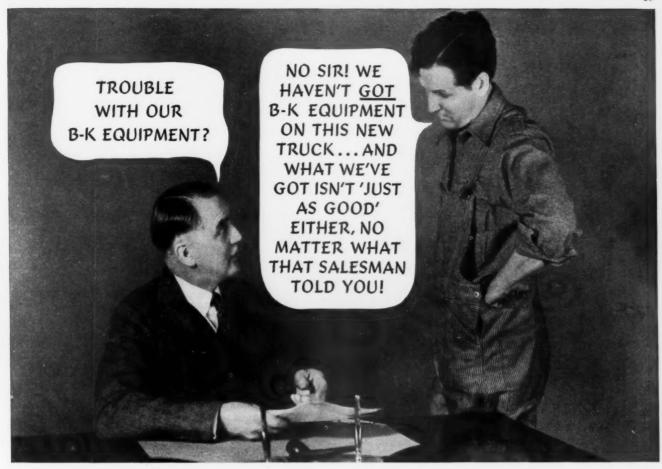
operation. All glass at sides and rear actually floats in a specially moulded rubber frame. Sliding door tracks at bottom are self cleaning.

Due to sectional construction parts can be readily obtained and installed.

Series 2000 body is built with minimum length of three cases, four cases wide providing capacity of 32 to 44 cases. The four case long body loads 42 to 58 cases.

New Truck Registrations by Makes by Months

	Autocar	Brock- way	Chev- rolet	Diamond T	Dodge	Federal	Ford	G.M.C.	Interna- tional	Mack	Reo	Sterling	Stewart	Stude- baker	White- Indiana	Miscel- laneous	Total
January 1937	130	102	14,362	863	3,764	207	16,544	2,820	6,244	389	354	29	92	169	592	948	47,609
January 1936	75	94	15,124	495	6,207	223	14,606	428	4,743	90	339	8	85	143	493	607	43,760
February 1937	112	115	7,939	602	5.043	206	16,460	3,501	5,256	364	317	26	101	222	550	1,451	41,818
February 1936	57	88	14,978	510	5.556	170	12,226	758	4,365	107	217	4	62	134	408	661	
March 1937	179	140	17,164	849	6,498	241	20,839	4,201	5,820	480	495	23	149	478	655	2,080	60,291
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Compressor

DeVILBISS CO. has announced four new air compressing outfits available in 7½ or 10 hp. with single or two stage compressors available with either horsepower. Two compressors, each developing a maximum pressure of 200 lbs. with the two stage compressors of 150 lbs. with the single stage, are firmly mounted on opposite ends of the 20 x 60 in. air tank. The motor driving both compressors is set between them on the air tank.

Each compressor has a "V" belt drive, combination air strainer and muffler, check valve, inter and after cooler, and centrifugal pressure release mechanism set to cut in at 160 lbs. and cut out at 200 lbs. on the two stage, and in at 80 lbs. and out at 100 lbs. on single stage compressor. Displacement of outfits varies from 31½ to 57 cubic feet of free air per minute, depending upon pressure and horsepower. Air tank capacity of both 7½ and 10 H.P. outfits is 10.88 cubic feet. A larger tank is available.

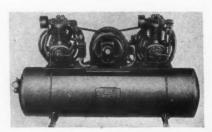
Diesel Fulflo Filter

COMMERCIAL FILTERS CORP., 89 Broad street, Boston, has perfected a fuel oil filter for diesel engines. The Fulflo filter tube is constructed of cotton yarn and wound into tube form upon a metal core to provide a compact filter element and ease of assembly.

The filter tube in turn is mounted on two seat plates having a patented recessed centre which seals both ends to prevent bypassing of unfiltered oil. The tube assembly is then held in place in the filter shell by spring tension to compensate for varying pressures.

Based upon the principle of Depth Filtration with uniform density, the filter will handle any grade of fuel oil at any temperature and against pressure of from one to 100 lbs. per square inch without modifying the filtering element.

The Fulflo Filter is generally installed between the transfer pump and the Injector pumps, taking the full flow of fuel oil with a very low pressure drop. Other installations upon stationary Diesel engines may be made either upon the pressure discharge to the day tank or by gravity flow to the engine.

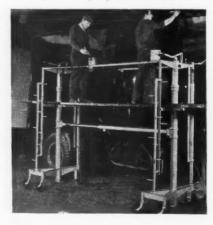


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Hydraulically Operated Scaffold



Hydraulic Scaffold

A NEW and novel piece of equipment is the DecoVator manufactured by the Decovator Scaffolding Corp., 2988 East Grand Boulevard, Detroit. This is a demountable hydraulic scaffold that may be raised, lowered, extended or contracted, and driven from one vantage point to another by mechanical means actuated from the working platform. The scaffold is made entirely of steel; it is light in weight and its parts are easily disassembled and transported for quick assembly. In its assembled state, the DecoVator scaffold provides its own ladder as well as benches for tools and materials, and the complete lifting and traveling mechanism. The reach of the hydraulically raised and lowered platform is considerable; one DecoVator model is from 2 ft. 8 in. in the lowest position to a height that will enable a man to work comfortably up to 16 ft. For a second model the low point is 3 ft. 2 in. and men can service work up to 22 ft. high.

Zol-Tane for Radiators

BRAKESTONE & THORNTON, subsidiary of Universal Chemists, Boston, is manufacturing Zol-Tane, a scientific rust preventive designed to protect the cooling



system of engines. It prevents rust, scale, galvanic and electrolytic action and corrosion. According to the manufacturer it is harmless to metals, rubber hose connections, gaskets and pump packings. It may be used in alcohol, glycerine, etc. One can in a cooling system with a capacity of 5½ gal. will suffice.

Loosite Dissolvent



LOOSITE, a liquid compound for dissolving sludge formations and oil residues as well as for cleaning the crankcase, is a product of the Petroleum Solvent Corp., Long Island City, New York. A can of Loosite in the crankcase oil for 20 minutes with the engine running is said to loosen and re-

move foreign residue with draining.

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THERE is no longer any need to rely on batteries built for lighter service... batteries that may perform dependably in pleasure cars but fail to deliver the long life in fleet service that helps to keep hauling costs low. Exide Commercial Type Batteries fit 90% of all commercial vehicles.

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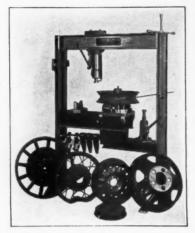
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Wheel Aligner

BEE LINE MFG. CO., Davenport, Iowa, offers a wheel repair machine built for turning and repairing all types of wheels, hubs and brake drums for cars, trucks, and buses. The frame is an all welded unit. One end of the frame contains an adjustable jack holder for handling horizontal operations, such as correcting eccentric wheels and removing flat spots. A sensitive gauge is attached to the other



end of the frame and its primary purpose is for accurately checking bent wheels before the operation and checking the finished wheel before removing it from the universal hub, which is the outstanding mechanism around which the entire machine is built. 'The hub is mounted on sensitive ball bearings so that the wheel will spin easily for checking and has an automatic refractable ball race which prevents damage to the ball bearings by accuracy of the hub unit.

Magnus Cleaner

MAGNUS No. 78 is used for the cold cleaning of metal parts by the Magnus process of emulsion degreasing. It is non-corrosive to metal. It will attack paint. Other uses are for cleaning burned-on carbon on pistons, cleaning connecting rods, renovating fuel pumps, carburetors, etc., degassing of gas tanks before welding, cleaning air filters and cleaning burned-on oil from crank shafts.—Magnus Chemical Co., Garwood, N. J.

Sunco Soundmaster

A SOUND reinforcing amplifier system with 2400 times more audio power than the human voice in a case only $13\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{2} \times 9$ " deep is a feature of the new Sunco Soundmaster, a product of Sundt Engineering Co., 4238 Lincoln Ave., Chicago. The Soundmaster is equipped with a 12-in. 15

watt speaker which gives large air displacement and thus great carrying power without the effect of loudness. It operates directly from 110 volt, 50 to 60 cycle lines, and converters for battery operation can be furnished. The price complete—\$67.50.

Streamlined Heat

FRANCISCO AUTO HEATER CO., Columbus, Ohio, has designed a new hot water heater of moulded bakelite fully streamlined. Specially designed deflectors distribute the flow of air outward, upward,



downward and sideways evenly. No deflector adjustment is necessary. The heater may be obtained in different colors and is priced from \$12.95 upward. A model with die cast front is \$9.95.

Kyle Hoist

THE POWERFUL lifting action of the Kyle hoist for truck bodies is accomplished by means of segmented jacks which lock into absolutely rigid trusts or tension members and they are unwrapped, section by section, from the triplex pin spiders. The power of the jacks is the same in either



tension or compression, and they automatically lock the body in any position. Thus the unit can be used not only to elevate the body and load, but also as a hoisting mechanism. The hoist is driven from a conventional power take-off applied to the transmission through two universal joints to a bronze worm reduction gear. A hand

hoist of the same type is available, which has no worm gear, but is locked with pawls rather than the worm.

Application of the Kyle hoist is easy on any type of bed. Blue prints and bill of material for body construction and all body irons are avilable, so the bodies can be built locally. This hoist is light in weight. Lifting pressure is applied close to the front end of the body in all positions, so that distorting forces appled to the body are reduced to a minimum.

Fibrous Glass Insulation

A NEW type of insulating blanket of fibrous glass for refrigerated truck bodies and for automobiles, trailers, buses, etc., is now available from the Armstrong Cork Products Co., Lancaster, Pa. The product is stitched blankets of wool, made by the Corning Glass Works, Corning, N. Y., and sold by Armstrong. This insulation in blanket form can be obtained in thicknesses from three-quarters of an inch to five in., and in sizes up to 9 ft. by 50 ft., or longer if required. It may be faced on one or both sides with muslin, or any specified material.

Bench Grinder

BLACK & DECKER MFG. CO., Towson. Md., announces a new 6 in. Junior ball-bearing bench grinder to sell for \$19.95.



Sturdy and well-balanced for practical shop use, it is finished in aluminum. Powered by a standard constant speed motor of full ¼ h.p. rating (except 25 cycle, which is 1/5 h.p.) and can be obtained in all standard A.C. single phase voltages and cycles. Included as standard equipment are one fine and one medium wheel (each being full size 6 in. diameter by % in. face by ½ in. hole); also a 3 conductor cable (2 leads and 1 ground connection). Total net weight is 13½ lbs. Overall spindle length, 12¼ in.

Pyralux Finish

AN AUTOMOTIVE finish known as Automotive Pyralux is announced by E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. Designed chiefly for touching-up synthetic resin finishes and for refinishing, it combines the quick-drying qualities of lacquers and the lustre of synthetic resin enamels, requiring no rubbing. Its chalking resistance is comparable to that of baking enamel. The new finish is offered in black and twenty-six shades.



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But, when a small initial premium buys the unbeatable lubrication that Gulfpride gives to fleet operators then it may be actual extravagance to pay less for an oil.

We say this because, when Gulfpride goes into a fleet's crankcases, instance after instance proves that two definite savings begin to show up on the books:

- 1. Total oil bills drop.
- 2. Maintenance and repair expense is drastically reduced.

Why is it that Gulfpride can make these savings? It's because Gulf's Alchlor process does the world's most thorough refining job... removes virtually every last particle of the non-lubricating wastes that exist in even the finest 100% Pennsylvania crude base.

And as a result, Gulfpride is so tough that it gives maximum lubricating protection . . . so pure that oxidation, carbon, gum and sludge (which cause excessive wear) are kept at a minimum.

In short, Gulfpride will give your fleet the finest lubrication that money can buy. And if you think that is a strong statement, you can prove it to your satisfaction with a trial in your own units...let your own books give the verdict.

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SEMI-TRAILER Specification Table—(Continued)

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*—Four springs †—Data being compiled Column 13
ABBREVIATIONS: B—Box Girder C—Channel N—No O—Optional Y—Yes J—Jaw GOLUMN 19
C—Channel 1—1-Beam B—Bushed R—Rubber block

Column 2 gives the price of the chassis, f.o.b. factory. The price includes the following: standard length chassis; standard tires; power brakes; landing gear; tail and stop light; upper half of fifth wheel, and brake and electrical Notes:

Autocar Adds Long Model

As originally announced, the new cab forwere made available with three wheelbases veloped for a wheelbase to carry longer bodies 84 in., 106 in. and 124 in. A demand has deward Autocar trucks, Models UA and UB, than could be applied to the 124 in chassis.

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connections and fittings that are considered part of the trailer's equipment.

Column 3. The maximum body and payload rating of the semi-trailer is based on the axie rating in Column 26.

Column 4. Weight of complete chassis includes weight

of Items included in price in Column 2.

Column 8 gives the longest frame length available as a standard option at extra cost. Special lengths longer than the longest standard length are available also at extra cost.

FWD Votes Stock

ment has announced that a wheelbase of 142 in., suitable for a 16 ft. body, will be made

Therefore, the Autocar factory sales depart-

available as an extra immediately. The factory has also announced the availability for those two models of a six-man cab such as is generally used in line construction work by

telephone companies.

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Unanimous support of a resolution to increase the capitalization of the Four Wheel Drive Auto Co. from two million dollars to three million dollars was voted by stockholders at a special meeting. Shareholders also authorized the board of directors to change

ground to top of frame height is the distance from the ground to top of frame over the rear axle with standard 'Greimm 35. The price of the fifth wheel, lower half, is f.a.b. factory. It does not include mounting.

Mar-Martin D-Detachable Own-Own P-Permanent

SE—Standard Equipment, no extra charge

COLUMN 31

H—Manual S—Semi-automatic C

M—Mechanical

COLUMN 33

ASF—American Steel Foundry S

Aus-Austin Day.—Daylon

Cla—Clark Own—Own Tim—Timken COLUMN 28 1B—1-Beam Re—Rectangular Tu—Tubular

Actuation: V-Vacuum
COLUMN 22
Al-Alloy iron CO-Cast iron T
CS-Cast steel
CN-Chrone-Nickel-iron II
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G-Gravity S-Sliding

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ABBREVIATIONS:

General

****-Prices under revision

*-Load distribution may be shifted readily even
when truck is loaded, on the road.

**-Truxmore—Heavy steel beams (cushioned by
patented springs arrangement) used in place
of leaf springs.

--Weights include both driving axles.

(x)—Patented 4-wheel chain drive available for all
Trucktor units.

†-2½x3

COLUMN 9

Chev—Chevrolet
Ford—Ford
Lig—Liggett
Own—Own
Shu—Shuler
Tim—Timken

Notes on Headings
General—(a) The capacity of the third arle (Column 2) is not to be confused with the total capacity made possible on the converted vehicle.

| COLUMN 10 | Re-Rectangular | Sq.—Square | Sr.—Solid round | T.—Tubular | COLUMN 12 | R.—Bendix | L.—Lockheed | C.—Chevrolet | M.—Mechanical | F.—Ford | U.—Vacuum power | COLUMN 13 | COLUMN 13

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CA—Cast Alloy Iron CI—Cast iron
PS—Pressed steel

Column 3. The price of the unit includes the standard brakes specified in brake column and frame extensions that extend forward under the cab. Tires and brake (air or vacuum) power are not included in price.

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Utility—Bendix and Lockheed.

Column 4. Weight of third axle unit includes all appurtenances and maximum tires.

Column 15 gives brake lining area of attachment unit only.

Sludge Panned by Experts

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way. Doubtless the introduction of kerosene or carbon tetrachloride through the carburetor had a beneficial effect on the piston rings as it is a pretty safe guess that if the valves were being stuck sufficiently to resist closing, the piston rings were stuck in one position which did not permit them to follow the cylinder wall.

Another shop method of relieving a sludge condition is to give the engine an internal bath with flushing oil which is usually a thin cheap red oil. It is done at a drain period and the engine is idled with a crankcase full of flushing oil for a few minutes then drained and the regular lubricant is put into the oil pan. Doubtless this is still a good method but the sludge solvents should do a better job because instead of taking a material that just happened to be at hand to clean out the engine the solvent manufacturers have made a study of the material which must be dissolved or removed and then compounded a substance to do the job. Some of these compounds are used as

flushing material and others are for adding to the regular lubricant.

Oil filters can be used to good advantage in gathering and localizing the water, foreign matter and colloidal free carbon in the lubricant before it has had a chance to combine and caue trouble, provided the filtering element is changed frequently enough. The job of preventing these things from getting into the oil seems hopeless and the next best thing to do is to remove them as quickly as possible once they are there by means of a filter. Aiding the filter is the crankcase ventilating apparatus which permits much of the water to escape as steam.

One fleet operator who had an engine in a peculiar installation found that it was sludging very badly. Other engines on similar work were not causing much trouble in this respect, which resulted in the one engine being the subject of an investigation. It was found that the engine had been tilted from the vertical for accessibility to accessories and the engine had been tilted enough so that the oil in the reservoir blocked off the intake part of the crankcase ventilation system.

Several fleet operators who had been troubled with short-lived piston rings and valves found that oil filters serviced religiously helped lengthen the lives of these parts. Some of them went so far as to say that it had eliminated sludge as a serious problem so far as they were concerned.

Some oils are much more resistant to sludging than others. Just what makes an oil resistant to sludge is a matter of dispute among highly trained refinery technicians so beyond making note of the fact that there is a difference this article will not enter the argument.

WHEN it is all summed up there are a number of things that the fleet operator can do to eliminate sludging in his own fleet when it is costing him money. They are:

1. Use an oil that resists sludging. If the type of oil is changed for this reason make sure that the second oil does not get blamed for sludge created by the first oil. Sometimes the second oil will have a washing effect and sludge will show in the drainings when the second oil is in reality getting rid of sludge created by the first oil.

2. Equip the fleet with oil filters and service them as often as required.

3. Install thermostats radiator covers or change fan pulleys so that the engine operates at an efficient temperature.

4. Make sure that the crankcase breathing apparatus is operating.

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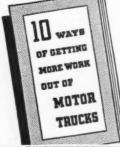
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By L. W. MOFFETT Washington Editor

C of C Rejects Long-and-Short Haul Repeal Proposal

By the narrow squeak of seven votes, member organizations of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States have turned down a committee proposal to repeal the long-and-short-haul clause from the 4th Section of the Interstate Commerce Act. The committee recommendation was approved with 1,069 votes, while it was opposed by 554, but inasmuch as it takes a two-thirds ma-

jority to commit the Chamber, the recommendation was defeated.

The move to repeal the clause has been vigorously pushed in Congress by Representative Pettengill, of Indiana, and member of the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce and under his guidance the measure passed the House at the present session. Nevertheless, it has been stymied on the Senate side, where it rests in the Committee on Interstate Commerce, whose Chairman Senator Wheeler, of Montana, is hostile to the legislation and it is extremely likely that he will keep it smothered in that committee.

That Wage-Hour Bill

TAKING the same position as that presented by the railroads, the motor trucking industry wants to be exempted

from the provisions of the Black-Connery wage-hour bill. Views of the industry were submitted to the joint Senate-House Labor Committee on June 11 by J. Ninian Beall, general counsel of the American Trucking Associations, Inc. On the day previous R. V. Fletcher of the Association of American Railroads asked for exemption for the railroads and its employes and said that they were in agreement with the suggestion. He was challenged, however, when he was asked if some 150,000 railroad employes drawing 30c an hour approved the suggestion.

Telling the Committee that the A. T. A. is primarily concerned about the conflicting jurisdiction over federal regulation of the trucking industry, he pointed out that federal regulation under the motor carrier act covers

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rates, hours, qualifications and ages of employes but that the I. C. C. does not have jurisdiction over hours of railroad labor.

"Surely if this bill does not cover railroad labor, it should not be applied to trucking labor," said Mr. Beall. "The industries are competitive."

He said that if it be deemed desirable to apply the bill to the trucking industry, the I. C. C. should be given an appropriate degree of coordinating control, in order that wages, hours, qualifications, ages and rates may re-

ceive consideration by one responsible body.

In asking for exemption for transportation, Mr. Beall proposed that the bill be amended by adding the following words:

"Nothing in this Act and no findings or orders of the Labor Standards Board shall apply to any transportation agency subject to regulation by the Interstate Commerce Commission, unless the Interstate Commerce Commission shall, after full investigation and report, have found that the particular provisions of this Act, or the particular findings or order of the Labor

Standards Board will be consistent with the policy and provisions of the Motor Carrier Act, 1935 and the orders and regulations of the Interstate Commerce Commission."

Investigation of M-D Relations Improbable

PROPHECY is hazardous, but if indulged in it would be that Washington will not investigate automobile manufacturers'-dealers' relations. Two resolutions for such oinvestigations are pending in Congress, one introduced by Representative Gardner Withrow of Wisconsin, and the other by Representative Harry Sauthoff, also of Wisconsin. Mr. Withrow's is a joint resolution and asks for an appropriation of \$75,000 for the Federal Trade Commission to make an investigation. The Sauthoff resolution, narrower in scope than the Withrow resolution, calls for an appropriation of \$10,000 for an investigation by the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. The proposed investigations have the endorsement of the National Automobile Dealers' Association.

But the view that neither resolution will be adopted rests on two outstanding points.

First, and frankly, it is not believed that the Federal Government is interested in preserving the retailer against the consumer. Despite the wording of the resolutions, or the merit of the point that factory-dealer relationship be investigated particularly as it "affects the public interest," it is doubted that they would be favorably considered on this basis. On the contrary, rightly or wrongly, the reaction more likely would be that any adjustment of factory-dealer relations would result in higher prices of cars for purchasers. The resolution itself does not warrant the conclusion, yet it is quite conceivable that would be the conclusion drawn.

Secondly, Congress is so overloaded with No. 1 grade legislation that it is doubtful that it will add to its burden by taking on a job that many members of Congress do not think involves a national issue. Certainly it is not believed that the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, steeped into work up to its neck, would care to handle the inquiry proposed by Representative Sauthoff, and the House might well respect the Committee's wishes.

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Ability Factor

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particularly, as well as on highways in

6. I am convinced that slow-moving vehicles on narrow, winding and hilly roads not only represent a very serious hazard but are responsible to a great extent for discrediting the motor truck with the public.

7. It is the writer's candid opinion that slow-moving vehicles are a safety hazard on hills.

8. Slow-moving vehicles represent an

accident hazard on hills. A poor performance means an undersize engine; generally speaking, this means that all units and parts are undersize, particularly brakes.

Summary: The engineers are unanimous in the opinion that slow-moving vehicles do present a safety hazard on grades, a few of them also including winding and narrow roads.

What ability factor (per cent Mhat ability factor (per con-grade in miles per hour) do you favor for trucks and combinations?

1. A vehicle should be required to have sufficient ability to maintain a speed of 20 m.p.h. on a 4 per cent grade, because (a) 20 m.p.h. represents a speed approximately one-half of generally recognized legal road speed, and (b) a 4 per cent grade is representative of the average grade encountered on highways where traffic density is great enough to cause serious congestion.

2. The 4 per cent grade ability requirement at 20 m.p.h. is an arbitrary figure but it seems to be justified on the basis that this speed is used satisfactorily in many congested traffic areas and that better class highways are now being built with gradients of 4 per cent or thereabouts.

3. Four per cent at 20 m.p.h. is a reasonable speed and grade which any truck of modern design should be able to easily negotiate with its rated pay-

load.

4. In order not to disturb our existing tractor and six-wheel equipment we would favor an ability factor of 2 per cent at 20 m.p.h. For trucks, 4 per cent at 20 m.p.h. would not cause us any great difficulty. Whether such a proposal would be practical is another question.

5. I personally favor the ability factor of 4 per cent grade at 20 m.p.h. Most of the grades on present-day highways are 3 per cent or less with an occasional steeper one. Therefore, vehicles with this ability would travel along at a good rate of speed on a relatively level road or say one with 2 per cent or perhaps 3 per cent grades.

6. I suggest that an ability factor of 3 per cent grade at 20 m.p.h. be used or, as an alternate regulation, that a truck be required to climb at least a 3 per cent grade when loaded to the maximum gross weight allowed by law with the transmission in the next gear below high gear and without the use of an auxiliary transmission. A truck that can climb any grade in the next to the top transmission speed will have enough road speed and the regulation would be more easily enforced. It is the truck that must be put in low gear at every little grade that is a nuisance. There are very few large trucks, particularly of the six-wheel and tractortrailer types, on the roads today having sufficient power to move the maximum gross weights allowed by some states over a 4 per cent grade at 20 m.p.h. This factor would work a great hardship on operators of this type of equipment.

7. The minimum ability factor for all types of units which normally operate on public highways should be at least 4 per cent at 20 m.p.h. Overloaded, under-sized trucks are very inefficient over a long period of time and the passage of laws demanding that (TURN TO PAGE 56, PLEASE)



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truck equipment have 4 per cent grade ability at 20 m.p.h. will not impose any great hardship on truck operators but will instead be to their own benefit in the long run.

8. Until experience dictates a change is necessary we recommend 3 per cent gradability at 20 m.p.h. for trucks and tractor-trailer combinations.

Summary: Five of the engineers favor a 4 per cent grade at 20 m.p.h. Two favor a 3 per cent grade at 20. One favors 4 per cent at 20 for trucks and would be more lenient—2 per cent at

20—with tractors and six-wheelers because of his present engineering set-up, but questions the practicability of this proposal.

III. If ability factor regulation is adopted should it have a "grandfather clause?" What time extension would you give existing equipment?

1. It is not believed that a grandfather clause is needed. There is no necessity of making mechanical changes to accomplish the desired results. All that is needed is to reduce the load by the necessary amount. Where license fees have been assessed and collected in existing equipment on the basis of payload or gross weight, it would suffice to permit the operator to continue on the basis of his license until the new period arrives.

2. In order to obtain the benefits of ability factor regulation, we would like to see a ruling applied to existing vehicles somewhat as follows: For the first year, no change; for the second year, 2 per cent grade ability; for the third year, 3 per cent; and after that 4 per cent regulation to become effective.

3. Regarding time extension on existing equipment, two years should be fair to the small or large truck operator. On new equipment, however, it should be effective immediately.

4. A grandfather clause would be necessary in order not to cause great hardship to manufacturers and operators with existing equipment. Regulations regarding increasing ability might be required over a perod of several years, or a time of perhaps two years allowed to arrive at the proposed 4 per cent at 20 m.p.h. would be desirable.

5. Believe ability factor regulation should have a grandfather clause and would prefer to see the change made Jan. 1, 1940. Favor a light ability factor immediately, such as 2 per cent at 20, with a more severe factor for all new vehicles purchased and for all vehicles at the expiration of the grandfather clause.

6. A grandfather clause would be necessary, and five years would be ample. Would favor the imposition of a light ability factor immediately with a not too severe factor (3 per cent at 20) for new equipment.

7. Regulation adopted should have a grandfather clause with a maximum time extension for existing equipment of two years from date of enactment.

8. We suggest a two-year time extension for existing equpment.

Summary: Seven engineers favor a grandfather clause. One doesn't consider it necessary. Of the seven favoring a clause, four suggest outright a two-year extension for existing equipment, and a fifth specifies a definite date which would amount to a two-year period if the legislation were enacted this year. One engineer thinks five years would be ample and one sets forth a graduated increase over a three-year period.

IV. What effects do you foresee on truck design if a 4 percent at 20 m.p.h. ability factor is imposed?

1. The enforcement of an ability requirement will probably result in reducing payload for a given engine displacement, particularly on tractor-semi-trailer or truck and trailer combinations. Or it will result in the (Turn to Page 58, Please)



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(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 56) preferable alternative of equipping vehicles with larger powerplants and eventually provide a stimulant to obtaining more power from a given displacement.

2. This regulation will undoubtedly result in the use of larger powerplants and a much more careful study of transmission and axle ratios than has ever been given in the past. It will further have the effect of generally increasing truck speeds since, if part of the tonnage is to be taken away from

the operator, the only way that he can make this up is by shortening the elapsed time between two given points. It may lead to the rather undesirable situation of two distinct types of trucks, one for cities where the regulation will probably not be effective, and the other for interurban work.

3. As stated in Question II the design should not be affected, except possibly by a demand for quieter transmission reductions.

4. It will greatly increase the power requirements for six-wheel vehicles and

combinations. At the present time in states where limitations on gross weights are imposed there is a great deal of pressure to eliminate all possible weight from chassis, particularly tractors. The increase in power requirements will naturally increase engine, transmission and axle sizes and will make the matter of weight and cost reduction a more difficult problem. This may lead into special tractor designs involving the use of light construction and metals.

5. It would mean larger engines, better cooling, stronger transmissions, clutches and rear axles or the increased sale of larger equipment which would mean that we would see 3- to 5-ton tractors on the road pulling heavily loaded trailers instead of 1½- to 2-ton tractors.

6. The engine power must be increased with the consequent increase in chassis weight and loss of payload-carrying capacity. This would mean an increase in first cost and in freight rates.

7. No specific comment.

8. Responsible manufacturers would be obliged to use larger engines and heavier clutches, transmissions, universal joints and rear axle driving parts which would result in increased list prices without any particular advantage insofar as the customers are concerned. But, there would be a tendency with small users and irresponsible manufacturers to increase the size of the engine without proportionately increasing the propulsion elements.

Summary: Six engineers see larger powerplants and propulsion elements as necessary. One in this group of six speculates on the possibility of lighter metals and construction. One sees no changes in design necessary in order to carry rated payloads except quieter transmissions. One makes no comment.

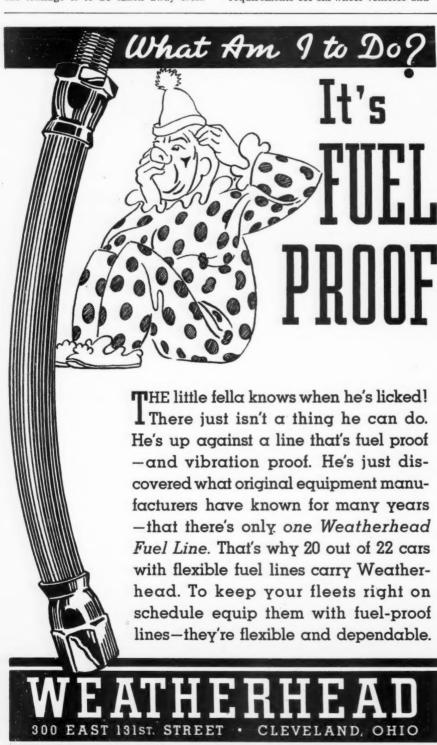
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How They Finished in the 500 Mile Race

Finish	Driver	Number of	Car	M.P.H.	Cause of Withdrawal	Number of Pit Stops	Withdrawn in Lap No.	Finish	Driver	Number of	Car Miller Spi	M.P.H.	Cause of Withdrawal Bkn. Oil Line	Number of Pit Stops	Withdrawn in Lap No.
1	Snaw	6	Gilmore-Shaw	113.580 113.560	***********	2			Winn	10	R. & S. Special		Clutch failed	4	67
2	Hepburn	9	Hartz Spl	112.079		A			Mays	14	Bowes Seal Fast		Overheating	2	24
A	L. Meyer	9	Boyle Spi	110.730					Stapp	15	Topping Special		Clutch failed	3	38
- 6	Bergere	45	Midwest Red Lion	108.935	***************************************			1	Brisko		Elgin Piston Pin		No oil pres	4	108
6	Cummings	18	Boyle Spl	107,123				1	Petillo		Petillo Special		Out of oil	2	108
7	Devore	28	Miller Spl	106,995				1	Wilman		Four-Wheel Drive		Bkn. con. rod	2	95
8	Gulotta	38	Burd Piston Ring	105,015	**************			1	Davis	32	Thorne Special		Crashed	5	190
9	Connor	17	Marks Miller Spl	103.830		3			Swanson		601 -1 A A - O - 1-1		Carburetor	2	62
10	Tomei	53	Sobonite Plastic			5			Litz		Motorola Special		Out of oil	5	192
	Gardner	31	Burd Piston Ring		Run. at finish				Fowler		Lucky Teetor Special.		Pushed car	7	116
	Roberts	62	Thorna Spl		Run, at finish	3			Al Miller		Thorne Special		Carburetor	7	178
	Heuseholder		Topping Spl		Run. at finish	4		1	Bailey		Duray Sims Special		Clutch failed	•	107
	Cantien	34			Run. at finish	6		1	Wearne		Duray Special		Carburetor	Ê	99
	Rose	1	Burd Piston Ring		Bkn. Oil Line	5	128							9	40
	Snyder	5	Sparks Spl		Trans. failure	1	28		McQuinn			******	Broke piston	2	400
	C. Miller	7	Boyle Spl		Ign. failure	1	36	1	Ardinger	. 54	Chi. Rawhide Oil Seal.		Bkn. con. rod	3	106



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hind Shaw to place second. Overcome by the heat at the 108th lap, Hepburn was forced to relinquish his seat to Bob Swanson until he recovered. Taking command again at the 167th lap he staged a brilliant come-back and rode Shaw's tail, lap after lap, but was unable to squeeze out that extra fraction of speed necessary to put him in first place. His average speed was 113.565 miles per hour. Just 0.015 miles per hour slower than Shaw's.

Of the 33 cars that started the race, only 14 were running at the finish. Overheating, oil loss, clutch failures and burned out bearings took their toll of cars, leaving only those in the race that were mechanically fit to stand up under the terrific high speeds and high temperatures encountered during the 500-mile grind. Crankcase temperatures ran particularly high, in some cases well up to the 300 deg. mark. Oil consumption was particularly heavy as is always the case with high speed driving, a fact to which fleet operators can attest.

In spite of the fact that 25 qt. of oil were allowed for the race, several jobs ran into trouble through a shortage of oil. For the last 15 laps Shaw's oil pressure gage registered zero on the turns, barely picking up enough pressure on the straightways to keep the bearings from burning out. It was a speed-record-breaking race from start to finish, the first four winners exceeding the average speed of 109.069 miles per hour set by Louis Meyer last year. Only one record did not fall and that was the average speed at the end of the 200-mile mark which was 114.526 miles per hour in 1936 and 114.181 miles per hour this year.

At the end of 50 miles Jimmy Snyder led the field with an average speed of 117.947 miles per hour. His job, which made an unofficial practice lap at better than 130 miles per hour and also set the highest qualifying speed of 125.287 miles per hour, was powered by a new

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QUESTION: What is a tire worth?



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Sparks engine of 337 cu. in. displacement. It is equipped with a single horizontal type Winfield carburetor and a centrifugal type super-charger mounted at the rear of the engine.

With the requirement that cars use only a standard grade of gas instead of special racing fuel, it was necessary to lower the compression ratios considerably. This was accomplished in the main by the use of a piston with a concave head. Compression ratios ranged from 7.25 to 1 up to 8 to 1 in the majority of cases, with one job reported as being about 9 to 1, which is about $1\frac{1}{2}$

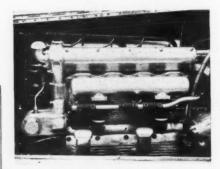
times as high as a top truck ratio.

The Maserati driven by Babe Stapp and the Alfa Romeo driven by Rex Mays were the headaches of the fleet. Both are of foreign make and considerable work had to be done on them to meet the new fuel requirements. Compression ratios had to be changed as these jobs were built to run on alcohol. Valve timing had to be changed also and when these jobs were worked over to conform to our regulations they proved to be not as fast as the Miller or Offenhauser engines.

Of particular interest mechanically was the Sparks Special engine in Jimmy

Snyder's car, the new Brisko six-cylinder job, the McDowell engine used in the Lucky Teeter Special, the Packard 120 of Snowberger's and the rear engined job built by Lee Oldfield.

The Sparks engine has already been mentioned. The Brisko job is also a six with over-head camshafts and an aluminum block with steel sleeves. The introduction of these six cylinder engines



View of the Offenhauser type engine with which both Shaw and Hepburn finished first and second respectively

may indicate a trend away from the eight. The Voelker V-12 did not qualify due to lack of time to work out some of the bugs, chief of which was carburetion.

One unusual feature of the Voelker engine is the articulated connecting rods and the practice of using needle bearings in the lower and upper ends of the rod. The Packard application seems to be a standard engine with, of course, a special head and other changes to hop it up to the racing engine class.

The McDowell is very similar to the Miller in appearance and is a splendid example of the fine construction features that go into the making of a racing engine. While the rear engined Oldfield job was not finished in time to qualify, there is little doubt that its design embodies many desirable features. It is powered by a V-16 Marmon engine and should be plenty fast, and is independently sprung on all four wheels, the front suspension being similar to that used on Packard passenger cars. We may expect to see and hear more of this job as it is expected to be entered in the Roosevelt race, July 3.

Champion spark plugs are still the choice of the great majority of drivers. New Departure bearings are used almost exclusively, as are Bosch magnetos and Packard cable. Burd rings are found in the winning Wilbur Shaw job. Brakes are still pretty well divided between mechanical and hydraulic operation. Firestone tires were used 100 per cent and the high speeds combined with the rock asphalt newly laid on the turns of the track caused unusual tire wear. A total of 70 tire changes was made during the race.



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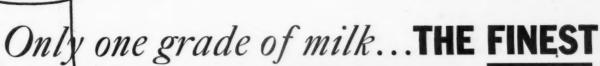
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May Sales and Production Show Gains

Truck registrations for May are estimated at 63,000 for an increase of 1.3

per cent over May 1936, when 62,183 units were registered. It is, however, a drop of 7 per cent in registrations of the preceding month of April. Registration for the first five months of this year total 280,599, which is a 6.3 per cent gain over the same period in 1936, when 263,635 units were registered.

Truck production for May of 96,945 units is the highest on record for that month. May shows a gain of 22.2 per cent over the same month in 1936 when only 76,208 units were produced. Production for five months totals 440,873 units, which is a gain of 14.2 per cent over the same period in 1936 when 385,777 units were produced.



W. C. Leingang, who has been appointed manager, automotive manufacturer's sales, for the Electric Storage Battery Co., Philadelphia. He has been with the company since 1923



J. J. Summersby, who has been appointed general sales manager of the Worthington Pump and Machinery Corp. He was assistant vice-president of the company

APPOINTMENTS

GAR WOOD INDUSTRIES, INC., tank division, has appointed the following distributors: Ohio Equipment Co., 47 W. Maple St., Columbus; Oil Station Appliance Co., 1145 E. 22nd St., Indianapolis. FULLER MFG. CO., Kalamazoo, Mich., has appointed E. L. Ludvigsen vice-president and general manager of the company. He was formerly vice-president in charge of sales.

A. L. Martinek, who has been appointed chief engineer of the Delta Electric Co., Mariou, Ind. He resigned from H. A. Douglas Mfg. Co., to assume his new position



TIMKEN DETROIT AXLE CO., announces its new officers and directors for the ensuing year. Directors are: H. H. and W. R. Timken, H. W. Alden, Willard F. and Walter F. Rockwell, R. J. Goldie and Austin Lynch. Officers are: R. L. Busse, L. R. Buckendale, A. I. Hawkins, S. W. Warner and Messrs. Alden, Rockwells and Goldie. C. A. Cooper was appointed to the board of directors. A. H. Chatley and Edward Rhyner were appointed assistant secretary and assistant treasurer respectively of the Wisconsin Axle Division.

MACMILLAN PETROLEUM CORP., Los Angeles, has appointed S. G. Harris its Eastern representative with offices at 50 W. 50th St., New York City.

DIESEL MOTORS, INC., 3740 Cass Ave., Detroit, has appointed G. L. Moyers its president and general manager. He was formerly sales director of Handy Governor Corp. The company formed to distribute and service diesel engines in Michigan.

B. F. GOODRICH CO., Akron, has appointed J. J. Newman vice-president and general manager of the company's tire division.

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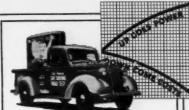


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WHITE MOTOR CO., Cleveland, has appointed J. E. Dunbar as purchasing agent for the company.

UNITED STATES RUBBER PRODUCTS, INC., has transferred C. W. Gilmer from Seattle to the New York office as belting sales engineer. L. F. Koepp has been made manager of mechanical sales of the Seattle branch.

ARMSTRONG CORK PRODUCTS CO., Lancaster, Pa., has appointed E. C. Frazier temporary manager of the Chicago district sales office until a successor to W. M. Fencil who resigned to establish his own business as a manufacturers' representative, is named.

D. H. Spicer, who has been appointed assistant manager of the Replace-ment Sales Division of the Asbestos Mfg. Co., with headquarters in Hunting-





Five new divisional sales supervisors have been appointed by Bendix Products Corp. They are (left to right): H. W. Rothkoph, charge of sales for Bendix-Feragen and Bendix-Cawdrey; G. L. Everback, charge of sales, brake and lining divisions; J. F. Held, charge of marine products sales; D. E. Johnson, radio products sales head; C. R. Markham, B-K Vacuum Power Brakes and Stromberg carburetor sales superand Stromberg carburetor sales supervisor

NEW COMPANIES

FITZPATRICK - THORNTON TANDEM FLEET SALES CO., 780 11th Ave., New York City, has been formed by P. G. Fitzpatrick to sell Thornton four-wheel-drive units. Mr. Fitzpatrick will cover the Eastern territory.

ELSBERT MFG. CO., 353 W. Grand Ave., Chicago, has been organized by B. J. Gribsby, president of the company, to manufacture and sell a new type of slow speed, high torque fractional horsepower electric motor; also ignition devices and systems for greater efficiency in internal combustion engines.

First National Trailer Census

Results of the first special canvass of the trailer industry, just announced by Director William L. Austin of the Bureau of the Census, reveal that factory sales of all types of automobile trailers in 1936 totaled 53,646. Sold by 357 manufac-turers, these trailers had a net wholesale (f.o.b. factory) value of \$27,421,763.

Included in this report were the 2,519 motor truck trailers, produced by 67 manufacturers, valued at \$2,296,444; and 23,875 motor truck semi-trailers produced by 116 manufacturers and valued at \$15,-848,150.

FACTORY SALES OF MOTOR TRUCK TRAILERS AND SEMI-TRAILERS, BY STATES: 1936

[Reports were made on an s. o. b. factory basis, and there-troe the statistics refer to the States in which the trailers were produced and not to distribution by sales outlets.]

State	Number cf Manu- facturers	Number of Trailers Sold	Total Factory Value ²
United States	144	25,394	\$18,144,594
California	29	1,579 257	1,634,985 202,874
Indiana	9 4 7	243 800	201.012 686,938
New York Oregon	7 6 7	148 189	78.048 168.252
Pennsylvania	6	297 771	428,774 302,300
Michigan and Ohio ³ All other States	19 50	12.487 9,623	9,904,594 4,558,821

Includes statistics for all types of motor truck trailers.
 Net wholesale (f. o. b. factory) value based on prices charged to dealers, distributors, and branch agencies, including settle taxes.
 Statistics for these States shown in combination to avoid the possibility of disclosing the sales of individual manufacturers.

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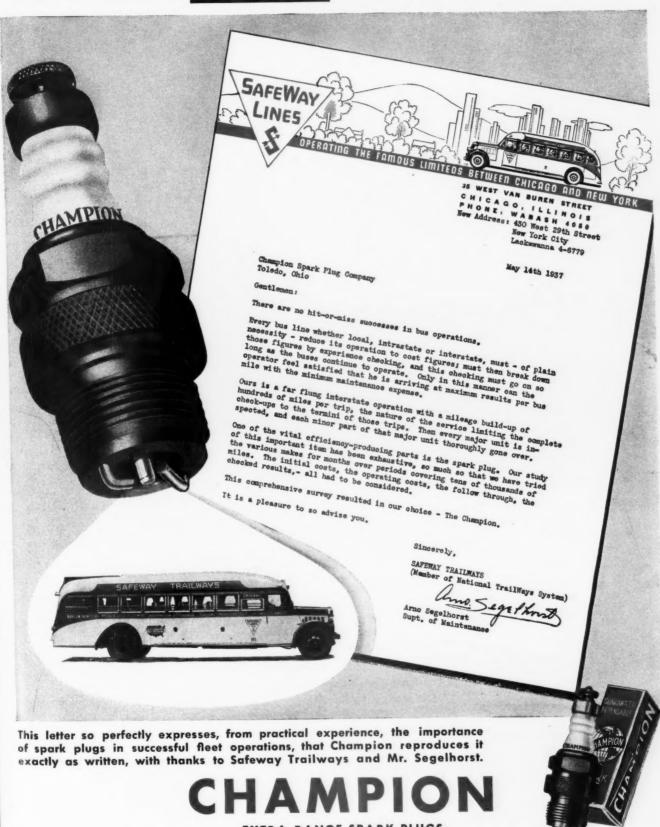
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immediately wiped down with a dry cloth. The truck is then sandpapered. If the panels are of a fibrous composition grade 1½ sandpaper is used. If the panels are of metal, grade 1 paper is used. Then the job is dusted and wiped down with a tack rag after which it is ready for the primer coat.

One coat of synthetic primer is applied and allowed to dry overnight. This primer is cut 15 per cent and is sprayed on with the gun held about 10 in. from the surface. A good wet

coat is applied. The next day the job is spotted and at this point our procedure varies. If the panel is of composition, all holes, bruises, dents and cracks are spotted with a heavy synthetic spotting putty that drys hard and the job is then glazed with a wide knife. However, if the panel is of metal, the body is just spot puttied. After their respective treatments the panels are ready for the surfacer.

The synthetic surfacer is cut about 25 per cent and a good wet coat is sprayed on. The spray man starts at the corner and goes completely around the body applying five coats of surfacer

in one continuous operation, if the panel is of composition, and three coats in one continuous operation if the panel is of metal. Overnight drying is allowed. The next day the surface is rubbed using a rubber rubbing block with No. 180 wet or dry sandpaper. This is followed by a wash using a hose under city pressure and the body is then dried with a chamois and wiped with a tack rag. The truck is now ready for the color coats.

THE Van Sciver color is a special blue which is cut 20 per cent and sprayed continuously until the truck has been encircled three times. These three coats must be applied rapidly in succession with not more than half an hour between the start and finish of each coat, otherwise each coat will have set too much and overnight drying between coats will be necessary. The finish coat is sprayed with a gun of $6\frac{1}{2}$ lb. air capacity per minute and with a pressure at the gun of 70 lb.

This finish is rubbed down the next day with No. 360 wet or dry sandpaper and water. At this point the lettering and gold leaf is applied and the striping is done. Before applying the gold leaf, the area around the leaf is pounced with whiting to prevent the



Washing is a part of the beauty program

leaf from sticking, then a coating of varnish size is brushed on. This sizing contains a little chrome yellow which gives the size sufficient opaqueness to permit the painter to follow his guide lines easily. When the varnish size becomes tacky, the gold leaf is applied. About half an hour is allowed for the varnish to become tacky. The size that overlaps the edges of the letters is then wiped away and the letters edged in flat ivory paint to finish them off.

With the lettering finished, the entire body is washed down with clear water and wiped dry with a chamois. Then clear varnish coats are applied. However, from this point on, the finishing process is different from that of other shops that we know of. Our

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painters first spray one coat of long oil clear rubbing varnish which flows easily, has an excellent gloss and drys hard. This varnish is not thinned. Instead it is put into a bucked of hot water and allowed to remain until the varnish has become quite warm. This serves to loosen up the varnish to a thin consistency, making it easier to spray without actually cutting it. Thinning has a tendency to cut the gloss and durability of the material and so we avoid thinning in this case. This single coat of rubbing varnish sets overnight and is then rubbed lightly with 360 wet sandpaper. Following this the body is hosed down and wiped over with a tack rag and the body is ready for the last application.

To finish the job, one coat of long oil flowing varnish is sprayed on after it, too, has been thinned by warming in a bucket of hot water. This coat drys overnight-and the job is complete with a strong, hard, yet elastic, high lustre finish and no sign of orange peel anywhere. A similar procedure is followed for the fenders, hood and cowl, which like the body, are done in deep blue. The belt line is finished in a light blue with two gold stripes running its length top and bottom. The radiator is finished in gold as is the

In finishing the top, it is first washed and sanded and then two coats of liquid gold are applied which completes the job.

OF course, it is not always necessary to strip down a paint job. We frequently find it necessary merely to refinish over the old blue which has a tendency to fade, eventually. On such occasions the body is first washed with turps and wet sanded. We then glaze in or spot holes and bruises and sand them smooth. After this it is washed down and tacked thoroughly and masking compound is applied over all gold leaf and stripes.

The body is now ready for the finishing coats of blue. Two wet coats are sprayed on in one continuous operation and allowed to dry overnight. No attempt is made to apply the second coat in a mist spray due to the fact that the job is so large that the mist spray will dry unevenly before the painter can go completely around the body.

After the application of the blue, the masking compound is removed and the blue finish is rubbed with 360 sand-paper and then tacked. Then one coat of flowing varnish is sprayed on, completing the job.

ONE difficulty we are always having, and one which is common to all truck operators, is in avoiding the markings on the sides of the bodies caused by trees. Our trucks are quite large and it is almost impossible for a truck to draw up to the curb without being marked by some tree branches. These markings look rather ugly and give the appearance of a neglected truck. To remove them, the body is washed down with turps and then rubbed with 360 sandpaper which is very fine and does not leave scratches. Any bad spots which appear on the body are touched up with synthetic enamel and when dry the body is again washed and tacked. One coat of flowing varnish is then applied and allowed to dry overnight and all next day, if possible. No spotting is done on this job unless the entire body were to be recoated with blue. This simple treatment eliminates the tree markings completely and brightens up the job at the same time.

However, the job of keeping up the appearance of trucks does not end here. There is still the problem of keeping trucks washed and clean and the way this is done has much to do with the way the paint holds up. Whenever possible, trucks are washed nightly by

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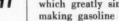
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cumbersome and attempts through a series of principles deduced from the character of the operation to justify the validity of the application, and to classify the corporation as a contract carrier subject to provisions of Part 2 of the Act. Attempting to draw a distinction between "motor vehicle operations" and "pickup and delivery service

by truck or wagon," the majority opinion holds flatly that the operations performed constitute such "motor vehicle operation" as to bring it within the purview of Part 2 of the Act, and further, interprets the word "transportation" as set out in the law as including only such services as a carrier is required to provide. Holding that the operations are not specifically exempted, the opinion decides that the law intended to impose regulation upon all forms of motor transportation not so exempted. The decision suggests that the definitions in the Act are functional and that the

status of the carrier is determined by what the carrier does or what it proposes to do.

Commissioner Caskie, in a separate concurring opinion, bases the holding that the corporation is a contract carrier squarely on the statutory definition of contract carrier. Were it not for this definition Commissioner Caskie would hold the corporation to be a common rather than a contract, carrier.

Commissioner Eastman, calling attention to the fact that the entire responsibility for the corporate operations is assumed by the railroads, would go a step further and make the railroads responsible to the Commission for the acts of its subsidiary. He holds that the corporation is a mere agent of the railroad and is a convenient facility substituted by the railroad for a service it might well perform by its own trucks. Holding that the operation comes squarely within the definition of the term "common carrier by motor vehicle," he expresses surprise that the majority could reach a conclusion that a "motor vehicle operation" is not subject to Part 1. He characterizes the attempt of the majority in commenting upon Section 203(a) as an "attempt to give a little feeble life to the clause,' suggesting that certain motor operations are subject to Part 1. The thought that the Commission may have jurisdiction over railroad collection and delivery service under Part 1, but not over "motor vehicle operations" which produce the identical service, ignores both prior decisions of the Commission and of the courts. Since the "services" which carriers furnish are the result of "operations," Commissioner Eastman holds that they can have no existence apart therefrom and the term "motor vehicle operations" was. in his opinion, intended to cover the transportation service and all that enters into it. Thus, in Commissioner Eastman's opinion, the majority have placed themselves in the anomalous position that "motor carrier vehicle operations" of railroads might well be subject to Part 2, whereas the service resulting from such operations would be an integral part of railroad "transportation" and subject to Part 1.

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The decision has a great deal more of interest for motor carriers than in merely deciding the status of Scott Brothers Incorporated as a contract carrier. It is interesting because of the divergent views of the Commissioners. The majority undoubtedly decided this case not so much by a careful interpretation of the law, but through a fear that the railroads might not be adequately regulated in their motor vehicle operations and that they might (Turn to Page 78, Please)

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(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 76) gain an unfair advantage in competition with motor vehicle common carriers. It illustrates the desire of the Commission to extend the authority given to it by Congress if it becomes necessary to do so to accomplish what it terms the "broad purposes of regulation." This is a common attribute of a Governmental regulatory body.

Commissioner Eastman does not share these views and believes that there is little danger of the operations getting out of hand, due to the wide authority now enjoyed by the Commissioner Eastman does not share the commissioner than the commiss

sion with reference to the railroads. He clearly sees the inclination of the majority to enlarge its powers under the law.

"Statutes," he says, "are by no means immutable. If the railroads should through these motor vehicle operations gain unfair advantages over their competitors or indulge in other reprehensible practices because of deficiencies in Part 1, it should not be difficult for Congress to correct these deficiencies. It is not part of our duty to usurp the functions of Congress in this respect."

Commissioner Eastman apparently

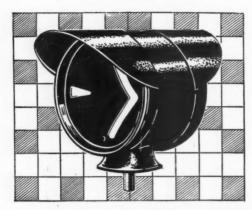
thinks that the majority may be laboring under more or less of an obsession in bringing all motor carrier "operations" as defined by it under Part 2 and expresses the fear that it will do more harm than good in possibly going beyond the powers granted to the Commission by Congress. He also recognizes the enormity of the job of administering the Motor Carrier Act when he says "The practical difficulties in the effective administration of the Act are very great indeed and it is essential that the process of administration should in every practicable way be simplified to the extent consistent with the purposes to be accomplished." To place what he terms as "mere agent operators" who do not serve the people directly in the same category with other motor carriers and to give them a separate status from that of their principals adds, in his opinion, "unnecessarily to the confusion and difficulties of our administrative duties, and that not only the Commission, but also the carriers and particularly the agent operators, will in consequence be bur-

dened unduly."

Commissioner Eastman's New Deal tendencies are indicated in the dicta contained in his dissenting opinion, in which he mentions the influence of labor organizations. He suggests that many of the ills incident to the owneroperation of motor vehicles may be alleviated by the prospective fixing of maximum hours of service for employees and the influence of labor organizations. He suggests that the exploitation of owner-operators is much the same thing as the exploitation of labor, and that the rapid development of labor organizations in the motor carrier industry and the increasing strength of such organizations will "constitute safeguards against the exploitation of labor, and there are already indications that the organizations recognize the threat to labor conditions if owner-operator employment is not brought within the scope of their influence, and are taking steps accordingly."

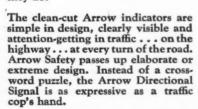
Thus the over-shadowing power of labor organizations is forecast and recognized even in a decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission!

Ed. Note—As forecast in Mr. Johnston's article of last month, the Commission has just issued an order requiring contract carriers to file copies of all contracts in force every twenty days. The original law provided for the filing of minimum charges only, but the Commission finds it discretionary to require all contracts to be filed in lieu of minimum charges. (Ex Parte No MC 9, June 8th 1937.)



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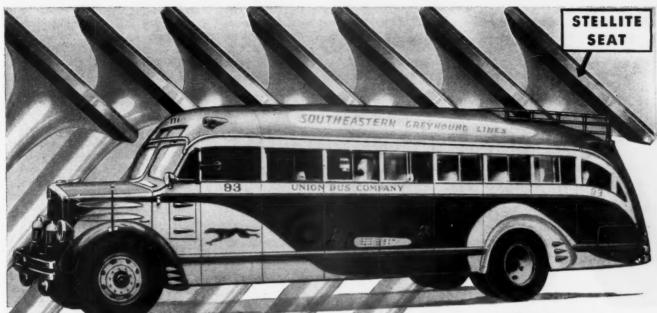
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Body Design

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which he must work when he gets back to his office and begins putting the design on paper. In these early stages of discussions, appearance does not play as important a part as do the load, number of doors, types of material and constructional features.

As an example, let us consider for a moment a parcel delivery unit. First, the designer, together with the operator will consider the size of the route to be covered and its characteristics

whether city or suburban as these constitute an important part in determining the type and size of body to be used. With this unit it was found that the load could be carried on a 34 to 1 ton chassis and that the loading space required would not have to be over nine feet long to be in good proportion to its height and width. The ideal unit in this case then was a conversion unit. By converting, that is by moving the steering column and control pedals ahead on a 3/4 to 1 ton chassis we had a job large enough to carry the load with a short wheelbase to allow easy handling in city traffic and

ideal working conditions for the driver with a low step and sliding doors on each side. It is here in these preliminary discussions that a great many of the requirements of the bodies are worked out. The sizes, location and types of doors are determined by a study of the loading and unloading conditions. The height of the floors and tail gates is very often controlled by platform heights and door locations influenced by loading conditions. In the cases of insulated bodies the proper amount of insulation, the refrigeration requirements, the icing, shelving, etc.. should all be discussed before any actual lines are placed on paper because all these things together must be considered as they have a very important bearing on the size and appearance of the body. The designer should have a knowledge of all these things in order to make intelligent recommendations.

H AVING discussed and noted all the operating requirements of the body. the next consideration before doing any design work should be a very careful study of the materials to be used. The designer should have a knowledge of all available materials and their proper application to different types of bodies so that he can make intelligent recommendations to the fleet operator. Materials play a very important part in the appearance and cost of the body, and because the fleet operator is not familiar with all materials available the designer is very helpful at this point. In the case of the Hanscom Baking Co. body illustrated the use of stainless steel mouldings and polished cast aluminum lettering was recommended by the writer which resulted in effecting a very distinctive appearance. Advantages to be derived from the use of such materials are often overlooked by fleet operators and in cases such as these, the designer acts in the role of an architect whose entire time is devoted to the search for new and more practical materials. Having concluded the preliminary discussions, recommendations are suggested after which the designer proceeds with preliminary sketches.

Consideration of appearance from the standpoint of size, lines, color and construction are essential. In the case of the writer a great deal of consideration is given to harmonizing the body lines together with the chassis. These lines where at all possible should be designed to blend into the lines of the chassis giving it the appearance of a complete unit and for this reason it is to be noted that a scale drawing is essential to accomplish harmony and

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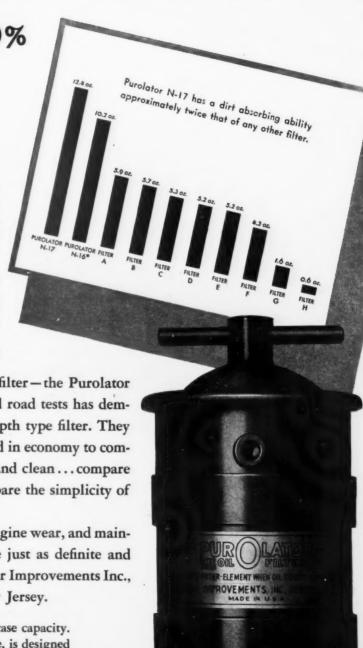
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The Oil Filter

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practical load distribution.

Where construction costs and materials restrict the use of curved lines, very effective and distinctive appearances can be attained by the uses of various materials, moulding treatments and painting layouts. I have at times used stainless steel for both panels and trim, burnished and polished aluminum, fabric panels and raised panels, to create a distinctive body where the use of curved lines and slanted rears were restricted. A designer should have a knowledge of all these materials and

know how to apply them effectively when he is working up preliminary pencil sketches to determine the lines of the body.

When several designs are completed in pencil sketch form giving a selection in appearance and comparative costs of construction, they are submitted to the fleet operator for his criticisms. At this time any changes in lines or materials are discussed and a final selection of color schemes and lettering layouts is made. In the case of an operator who has a standard color scheme, this is considered when the preliminary sketches are first made so that it can

be applied to the new design in a pleasing manner. The designer should have a knowledge of color and available shades of paint in order to make proper color recommendations. In recommending colors consideration should be given to the vocation in which the body is operating such as white for laundries, black for coal and fuel, yellow for bakeries, and red or orange for gasolines and oils.

The lines of the body, materials and painting and lettering determined, the designer then prepares a finished drawing and detailed specifications of the body. In some cases two sets of drawings are worked up, one a picture drawing rendered in color to show the operator how his unit will appear on the street and the other is a detailed drawing giving dimensions and details of construction which can not be taken care of clearly in the specifications.

The designer's job is not finished when he turns over the drawings and specifications. He should be retained to give any assistance possible to the builder and to straighten out any difficulties which might arise during the course of construction.

W ORKING with the body builder the designer works a little differently when designing a vocational body. His first task is to make a thorough study of the requirements in the vocation for which the body is to be used. Having gathered all the information possible from the leading operators in that vocation he must analyze these data and prepare recommendations to the builder before proceeding with any design or drawing work. At this time it is determined whether the body should be a step-in-drive unit, a vestibule panel, or a body behind the cab, the number, size and location of the doors, whether a straight floor or wheel pockets should be used and any other operating requirements. Next, materials and construction are considered. Where heavypay load requirements are to be met, aluminum or Hy-tensil steel might be selected, or an all steel welded construction where strength and production are important or plymetal where clear smooth panels, strength and weight are considered.

With these points decided the designer's routine is somewhat the same as it is when working for a fleet operator. However, in addition to working up preliminary line drawings, finished line and color drawings and specifications, he should at the same time give very careful thought to available material sizes that can be purchased without further fabricating on the part of the builder in order to step up the speed of production, lower the labor costs and eliminate waste.







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How the Current Regulator, Cut-Out Relay and Voltage Regulator Operate

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The resistance may be inserted into and removed from the generator field circuit automatically, by means of a magnetically operated switch or magnetic switch.

A MAGNETIC switch of the current regulator type is shown schematically in Fig. 2. The simplified circuit shows the current regulator unit and the cutout relay without their actuating windings, the units being shown simply as switches which, of course, they are. Note the similarity between this simplified circuit and the generator field circuit light switch controlled field resistance of Fig. 1.

The current regulator windings are composed of a few turns of heavy wire and carry the entire output of the gen-The contact points are normally held closed by spring tension which retains the armature in the up position and the generator field current is therefore conducted directly to ground through these points. When the current flowing through the current regulator windings-which is total generator output-reaches the valve for which the regulator has been set, sufficient magnetic force is created to overcome the armature spring tension. The armature is attracted downward toward the regulator cores and the contact points are separated. With the points separated the resistance is inserted into the generator field circuit and the generaor output is reduced. Refer to Fig. 2.

But the instant the current flowing through the regulator windings begins to drop off, the magnetic force created by this current also drops off. It is quickly reduced to a value at which it can no longer retain the armature in the down or open point position and the armature spring pulls it up, closing the points. This shorts the resistance out of the generator field circuit and the generator output increases. But upon reaching the value for which the regulator is set, the armature is again pulled down and the resistance once more inserted into the generator field circuit. This is a vibrating action which takes place so rapidly the armature cannot be observed to move, regulating for a constant output.

The current regulator unit operates only at the value for which it has been set. For example, if it is used with a generator which has a 28 ampere rated output, the regulator is set for this output and will operate only when the

generator attempts to exceed the 28 ampere setting. Thus the current regulator may be considered as a current limiting device. Fig. 3 illustrates the action of the current regulator.

A NOTHER current limiting device which is exceedingly well known is the third brush of the third brush generator. Due to the third brush effect, the generator cannot, within the specified voltage range, exceed the output for which the third brush has been set.

A somewhat undesirable feature of the third brush generator, especially in the higher output units, is that as the voltage increases, the output increases. Thus with a fully charged battery, when only a small amount of current is needed, the line voltage will be the highest and the generator output will, therefore, be the greatest. And the greater this overcharge to the battery is, the higher the battery voltage will go and thus the higher the generator output will become. This condition was not so serious in the past when generators were not built for high outputs.

But today, with generators capable of putting out 20 to 28 amperes and higher, if the high amperage were "pumped" through the battery, the voltage of a six volt battery would soar to 8.5 or 9.0 volts and higher. Such an excessive charge would quickly ruin the battery. As for the ignition points and the light bulbs, 8.5 or 9.0 volts slapped on them would greatly shorten their lives.

To prevent this excessive voltage, it is necessary to use some form of voltage regulator or voltage limiting device with the higher output generators in use today. As a battery becomes charged, its resistance increases, and, to get the same charging rate through it, the charging voltage would have to be increased to overcome the increased battery resistance. Therefore, if the voltage is limited by a voltage regulator, the gradually increasing resistance of the battery as it comes up to charge will result in a gradual decrease in the charging current. The voltage regulator prevents the generator voltage from increasing to overcome the increased battery resistance and force or "push out" the same output as at low battery voltage.

ILLUSTRATED in Fig. 3 is a vibrating voltage regulator, shown schematically. Note the simplified circuit is exactly as shown for the current regulator in Fig. 2. The voltage regulator is also, of course, a magnetic switch, but its windings are of two types, a voltage or shunt winding of many turns of fine wire, and a current winding of a few turns of heavy wire.

The voltage winding of the regulator is the governing winding and it is connected through the ignition switch across the battery so that battery voltage is impressed on the winding. When the battery is low, the voltage regulator unit is inoperative, the contact points closed. As the battery approaches full charge, the voltage becomes great enough to force through the voltage winding of the regulator sufficient current to cause the regulator to operate. The magnetic force due to this current flow now has increased to where it is able to over-come the armature spring tension and pull the armature down to the voltage regulator unit core, separating the contact points. The generator field current is now forced to flow through the resistance to ground, causing a reduced generator output.

When the points are closed, the generator field current is conducted to ground through the regulator current winding and the points. When the points separate, the current winding magnetic field collapses completely. This complete collapse of the current winding magnetic field plus the reduced voltage of the generator due to the insertion of the resistance in the generator field as the points separate, causes the total magnetic field to drop to where it can no longer hold the regulator armature down and the points

quickly close again.

When the points close, the voltage increases again to the regulator operating voltage, the current winding magnetic field builds up again, and the total magnetic field is sufficient to pull the armature down again. The voltage winding is the governing winding, the current winding acting merely as an "accelerator" winding to speed up the action of the armature. This is a vibrating action which takes place very

voltage.

The voltage regulator unit may beused with either of the two current
limiting devices, the third brush generator, or the vibrating current regulator and shunt generator.

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When used with the current regulator, both units are mounted together with the cut-out relay on the same base and enclosed by the same cover. Either the current regulator unit or the voltage regulator unit operate at any one time, both never operate at the same time.

When the requirements of the connected electrical load are large and the battery is low, the current regulator unit will operate to prevent the output from exceeding the rated output of the generator. If the requirements of the connected electrical load are reduced

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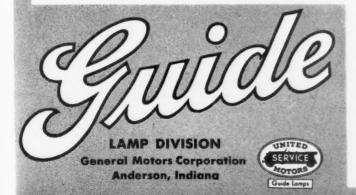
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and the battery comes up to charge, the voltage regulator unit operates to taper down the output and prevent high voltage in the circuit, reducing the generator output to what is required by the connected electrical load plus a small sustaining charge of a few amperes to the battery.

FIG 4 illustrates schematically a current and voltage regulator. Note the simplified circuit is identical to these previously shown except that there are now two switches in the generator field circuit and an added field resistor. On many models a second resistor, as shown, is used, in order to obtain two different values of resistance, a low resistance for the current regulator unit when the two resistors are in parallel, and a higher value resistance for the voltage regulator unit, where a single resistor is used.

Carburetor Maintenance

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discard the part and replace it with a new one because the cost of parts is relatively low and the cost of a failure is high if it interrupts an operating schedule.

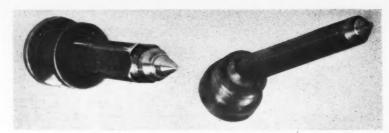
A NEW set of gaskets should be installed at every inspection and careful attention should be given to make sure that the correct carburetor to manifold gasket is used. This is especially true when a governor is used. The wrong gasket at this point can cause a step up in the vacuum and by-passing of the



Wear in the throttle connector rod results in poor idling and timing of the accelerator pump

governor. Carburetor manufacturers are packaging a complete set of gaskets as a unit to make this gasket replacement easier.

Incidentally carburetor manufacturers do not hold with this theory of jets either "growing" or wearing under ordinary conditions. It should be indicated that this phenomena is well known to them but they insist that considering the number of jets that they inspect that either "growing" or wearing is very rare and that in itself indicates a unusual condition. Manu-



In the above may be seen the ridges in the needle valve and wear in the

facturers service departments are extremely doubtful of the accuracy of much of the field measuring of jets and when they explain their position it sounds very logical.

The jets are originally drilled with extremely high speed drills for accuracy. The manufacturers have found through experience that the high speed is needed for accurate drilling. After the drilling the jets are tested on a flowmeter and the rate of flow is the only measure of a jet's ability. "How then" they ask, "can a service man stick a wire or a drill through a jet and tell that it is no longer passing the correct amount of gasoline?" The manufacturers also indicate that a large portion of the defective jets they get back are a result of having wires or drills stuck through them.

The manufacturers have also found out from their returned parts pile that many of the parts that have failed have done so as a result of being abused by mis-applied tools. The effect is the same whether the tools were good tools but used badly or the use of tools that were never made for carburetor work. This has resulted in the manufacturers making available a set of tools for carburetor work with special tools for the different series of carburetors. A set is worth about \$15.

LINT is one of the greatest enemies of good carburetion and to eliminate it, it is suggested that when a place on the bench is cleared and cleaned for working space for a carburetor that it first be cleaned with a kerosene soaked cloth and then blown off with compressed air. At the various stages of work the parts should be cleaned with compressed air and tools should not be wiped with a cloth but with the palm of the hand. The amount of lint that a carburetor is able to gather up in one inspection is enough to prevent its operating for any length of time without trouble.

The actual dis-assembling procedure varies with the make and model of carburetor. In order to give this information in detailed steps on specific makes and models of carburetors Com-



This jet is enlarged about six times

MERCIAL CAR JOURNAL will start a carburetor series in the next issue giving the detailed steps on the popular carburetors taking one series at a time.

B&J Trailers

A COMPLETE new line of 1938 trailers featuring several innovations in design and equipment has been announced by the B & J Trailer Co., Chicago. These include a lower center of gravity, larger Timken brakes and newly designed oversize Timken Tubular axles with larger spindles and bearings. Frame heights above the ground on the three Syncro-Float chassis with gravity spring suspension have been reduced from 2¼ in. to 3 in. making the 8-ton chassis 38 in., the 10-ton 40 in. and the 12-ton 41 in.

Spring Conditioner

A NEW product known as the Presto Spring Conditioner has been announced by The Renson Products Co., Conshohocken, Pa. The lubrication wedge is forced between the leaves of the spring by the handles of the tool, an ordinary grease gun is attached to the fitting and lubricant is inserted between the leaves. Easily removed when the job is done. When used with springs fitted with covers, the lubricating wedge makes a small hole in the cover, thus eliminating the necessity of removing the cover. List price \$8.25.

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Trends of Legislation

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brief period of time. Strange as this may seem, and despite the oft-repeated assertion that highway transportation is unregulated, this astonishing record is not abnormal when compared with the biennial legislative sessions of the past decade.

Motor Fuel Taxes

A PPROXIMATELY 120 bills have been introduced this year directly affecting the taxation of motor fuel. These include scores of measures intended to increase gasoline and lubricating oil taxes. Many proposals would impose or increase taxes on chain stores, including filling stations. The total does not include many miscellaneous bills having an indirect effect. Actual gasoline tax increases of 1 cent per gallon have been enacted in Minnesota, Missouri, Rhode Island and West Virginia. New York revived its extra emergency levy of 1 cent, and the existing additional levies of 1 cent per gallon have been continued in Nebraska and Pennsylvania. These increases are presumed to be temporary, but the history of this particular type of taxation induces skepticism on this point.

North Carolina has imposed a onequarter cent per gallon inspection fee and, together with West Virginia, Kansas, and several other states, has tightened up on its exemptions and refunds. Georgia and New Mexico have recodified their tax laws for the purpose of plugging the holes.

New Mexico placed a 71/2 cent tax on diesel fuel, while California contented herself with imposing a 3 cent tax in line with the present tax on

gasoline.

Motor fuel tax increases were defeated in more than a dozen states and an additional one-half cent tax in Washington was vetoed by the Governor. The trend definitely indicates that legislators are finally beginning to realize that the heavily taxed highway user is bearing more than his full share of the country's tax burden.

Registration Fees

REGISTRATION fees and carrier special taxes have always been subjects of groping and experimental legislation. The absolute lack of uniformity among the states, together with the ever shifting bases for imposing such fees, has had the effect of tossing the motorist on the waves of uncertainty and leaving him at the mercy of ever changing tides of a tax system that

seems unable to find its natural and equitable level.

Some slight reductions in private vehicle fees have been observed in a few states, notably Oregon and Nevada, while increases on commercial vehicles have been imposed in others. Major increases in truck fees have been enacted in Georgia, Indiana, Minnesota, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma. and West Virginia, while Utah and Colorado provided some reductions. As an offset to an increase of one cent in gasoline tax, the Missouri legislature cut registration fees 50 per cent. (This will probably be vetoed.)

The state of Utah took a bold step in the right direction by repealing the unpopular ton-mile tax and substituting in lieu thereof an unladen weight tax. An attempt was made to do likewise in Colorado, but the legislation resulted in a compromise whereby the ton-mile

tax was reduced one-third.

Recognition of the necessity for beginning the motorists' fiscal year in March or later, especially in the northern states, has definitely developed during the past few years. Prior to 1937, 28 states had recognized the advantages of this thesis. Extensions or further extensions have been authorized during the present year in Minnesota, Nevada, New Hampshire, New York, Tennessee, Utah and Wisconsin, thus providing further time in which to register vehicles after January 1.

Diversion

WHILE the actual and concrete results thus far accomplished have not been as satisfactory as could be desired, it is a source of real gratification to the highway user to note that 41 measures were introduced in 23 states seeking to outlaw the misuse of highway funds.

Anti-diversion constitutional amendments have been introduced and considered in 13 states and have received favorable action in Alabama, California, Indiana and Nevada. Each of these must be voted on by the electorate and each would make it unlawful for the legislators of the future to divert the motorists' taxes by expending these revenues for other than highway pur-

Petitions were circulated in Massachusetts seeking to bring about an amendment by referendum. Nearly 150,000 electors of the state appended their signatures, thus showing the widespread popularity of such a movement. Unfortunately, the Supreme Court of that State has found that an amendment to the Massachusetts Constitution pertaining in any wise to an appropriation cannot be initiated by popular pe-

Anti-diversion statutes were enacted

in Alabama, Indiana, North Dakota, and Washington, and actual diversions were discontinued or materially reduced in Arkansas, South Dakota and Washington.

New York has again offended with a diversion approximating \$60,000,000 and Massachusetts with \$6,300,000; Delaware and Maryland likewise made substantial diversions, and New Hampshire is still considering the use of \$1,250,000 of the motorists' money for

flood control.

Probably the most outstanding tax document of the year was Governor Hoffman's disapproval of New Jersey's diversion of \$7,917,860. While the legislature failed to support the veto, its action detracted not one iota from the value of his message as a state paper. It is a masterful marshalling of indisputable facts and a fearless debunking of political chicanery.

One thing is certain—the last two years have shown a marked increase in the number of legislators who are accepting the premise that it is unfair and unjust to impose special taxes on motor vehicle transportation unless the proceeds of such taxation are applied to the construction, improvement or

maintenance of highways.

State Barriers

THE so-called "Port-of-Entry," first initiated in Kansas in 1933, spread with the irresistible ferocity of a western prairie fire until nine states beyond the Mississippi had erected such barriers

against their neighbors.

Not until 1937 did this conflagration meet with effective opposition. Port-of-Entry bills were prepared for introduction in at least a dozen states and were considered in Arkansas, Georgia, Maine, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Texas. All of these bills were either defeated on the floor or failed to emerge from committee. Bills in other states died aborning.

It should also be observed that both New Mexico and Arizona have modified the restrictions of their Ports-of-Entry, especially in their treatment of private

automobiles.

Reciprocity

NOT only did the Port-of-Entry proposals fail in all of the states where they were considered, but a most gratifying crop of reciprocity laws has been harvested. Washington's full reciprocity statute was reenacted in its new highway code, and California and Nevada completely reversed their former positions on the subject by enacting new laws under which reciprocal recognition is extended to the registration of other states. Idaho and Utah materially liberalized their registration re-

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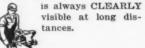
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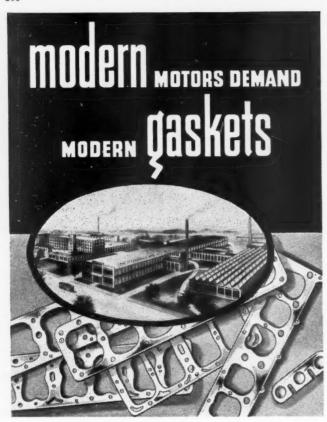
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quirements and even Arizona has made important concessions. Oregon already has made provisions for reciprocating on registration fees, thus making a complete block of all of the states west of the Rockies where non-resident privileges are extended and reciprocal provisions are in effect.

A new Georgia statute will permit out-of-state trucks the privilege of ten trips per month for the purpose of hauling seasonable agricultural products without paying the new weight tax. Both Indiana and Maine broadened their reciprocity law. The South Carolina Highway Department is authorized to grant full reciprocity to private vehicles and occasional privileges to non-resident for-hire vehicles. The Public Service Commission of West Virginia is empowered to negotiate reciprocal agreements with other states in regard to licenses and the transportation of property.

Negotiations looking toward mutual recognition and reciprocal courtesies are under way at the present moment among the officials of Arizona, Missouri, and Oklahoma, as the result of recent legislation. The Ohio bill empowering the state reciprocity committee to deal with other states rather than adjoining states was vetoed.

Carrier Regulation

SEVERAL hundred bills providing for or affecting the regulation of motor carriers have been introduced. Most of these were in the nature of proposed amendments strengthening the regulatory powers of the states, and revisions along lines similar to the provisions of the Federal Motor Carrier Act. Nebraska, Pennsylvania and West Virginia produced new and complete motor carrier laws that pattern very closely the Federal Act.

Many of the bills introduced would bring private carriers under direct regulation, and among those enacted



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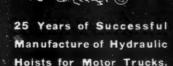
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are the West Virginia statute and amendatory acts of Washington and Colorado. This phase constitutes the most serious threat to commercial highway transportation today.

The program, encouraged by railroad representatives, and in some instances by common carriers and grain elevator interests, would impose business regulations on the shipper-owner, requiring him to secure permits and meet other commercial carrier requirements. Under the guise of regulating the itinerant trucker, extreme regulation of all owner-operated vehicles has been and is continuing to be advocated.

The legislature of Texas passed a bill relieving private carriers of the burdens imposed under the state Supreme Court's interpretation in the New Way Lumber Company case. This bill was vetoed by the Governor and the veto was sustained by the narrow margin of two votes in the Senate. To reaffirm and emphasize its intention, the legislature promptly adopted a noncurrent resolution reading, in part: "It was not the intention of the legislature in enacting the Motor Carrier Act of this State * * * to include the regulation of motor vehicles * * * operated in the transportation of goods, wares and merchandise owned by the owner of said vehicles; and it is further Resolved that the fact that a seller of merchandise who transports such merchandise from one place to another in the motor trucks owned by the seller, who adds to the sale price of such merchandise at point of delivery a charge to cover a part or all of the cost of transportation is not engaged in transporting for hire * * * and is not subject to the provisions of said Act nor to any rule or regulation promulgated pursuant thereto * * *." The effect of this concurrent resolution will be watched with much interest by the entire in-

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There has been a general trend toward clarifying farm-owner exemptions in existing motor carrier laws.

House Trailers

THE country has become trailer conscious. New regulations of house trailers were adopted in South Dakota and Vermont. Increase in registration fees have been imposed in Indiana, New York, and Utah, while Oregon and Maine passed bills regulaiting trailer camps.

Operating Restrictions

DOZENS of bills providing penalties for drunken drivers, ranging from whipping to revocation of permits, have been introduced. Alabama, Indiana, Nevada, North Carolina and other states have provided or increased penalties.

Eighteen states and the Congress have considered proposals to regulate the speed of motor vehicles, mostly ranging from 40 to 50 m.p.h. Uniform traffic codes have been adopted in Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas. Minnesota and Washington, and partial codes have been adopted in other states.

Attempts to require installation of mechanical governors received scant consideration.

Size and Weight

THERE has been a definite trend toward uniformity in sizes and weights, safety glass and equipment. Enactment of the Federal Motor Carrier Act and the resulting publication of safety requirements by the Interstate Commerce Commission have undoubtedly had a wide influence in this direction. The decision of the Federal Court in the case of Barnwell vs. South Carolina Highway Department has also had a salutary influence.

Despite these encouraging signs, the fact remains that uniformity in sizes and weights is still a far distant goal vigorously guarded by well-intrenched interests whose major mission is to prevent the removal of these barriers to highway transportation.

A new Florida law increased the allowable gross weight on for-hire tractor-trailer combinations from 22,000 lb. to 34,000 lb. Idaho increased the allowable weight on all vehicles to 18,000 lb. per axle with a total maximum of 60,000 lb. The maximum gross weight has been increased in Maine to 40,000 lb, and in Kansas to 63,000 lb, for any combination. Maryland's new law would limit four-wheeled vehicles to 26,000 lb.; six-wheeled to 36,000 lb.; trailers to 22,000 lb.; and tractor-semitrailer combinations to 40,000 lb.

Size and weight amendments so far

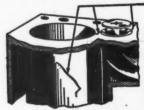
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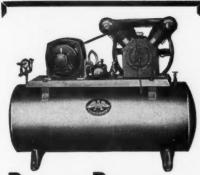
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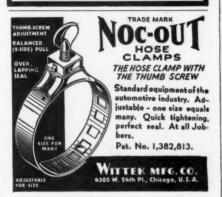
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enacted, other than above mentioned, were passed in Indiana, Iowa, Utah and Wisconsin. The railroad-sponsored "Texas" bill, designed to limit truck pay loads to 10,000 lb. has been suggested in a number of states, and was defeated in Nevada and Nebraska. In fact, bills proposing drastic restrictions of sizes and weights have generally been defeated.

Equipment

EQUIPMENT for vehicles probably attracted more legislative attention than any other subject in the automotive-highway field. Directional signaling devices reflectors, flares, speedometers are all favored. Probably the greatest deterrent to freak legislation under this head is the set of rules adopted by the Interstate Commerce Commission, referred to above. There is a definite trend toward uniform conformity by the states and particularly by the state regulatory bodies. The industry has generally adopted safety glass and other devices that have proven merit.

Many new statutes, including the five new Uniform Traffic Codes, relate to and prescribe requirements for directional signaling devices, flares, fusees, speedometers, brakes, lights, etc.

Financial Responsibility

NEW YORK has continued its Joint Legislative Committee created to investigate and study automobile insurance and the advisability of compulsory coverage. Several states, including Illinois, had bills designed to require compulsory insurance, but so far none of them have shown any particular strength. Massachusetts, the only compulsory insurance state, has amended its law in several minor details and defeated a bill to abolish the system.

Montana adopted a uniform financial responsibility act, and amendments toward uniformity have been enacted in several other states.

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larly in so far as it applies to commercial vehicles. The necessity of imposing financial responsibility requirements that would apply with equal force on both interstate and intrastate operations inclines the state regulatory bodies to favor requirements similar or identical to those promulgated by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

A few states have sought to protect residents from losses occasioned by foreign cars. This has generally been in the form of provisions for the service of process, although Delaware has gone to the limit of requiring the out-of-state operator to post a bond in double amount of the estimated damage before he can remove his vehicle from the place of the accident.

In General

A STUDY of the varied types of legislation, even though it be limited to only those subjects directly related to motor vehicles and highway transport, immediately suggests the difficulties of arriving at an accurate or informative summary. Even a brief discussion of hundreds of the new laws has necessarily been left out of this article.

Certain it is that no other single form of governmental functioning has received legislative attention comparable to that devoted to motorists and highways during the past six months or, for that matter, the past decade.

Beyond all doubt, the subject nearest the heart of the motorist and of the public in general is that of highway safety. That item has been left out of this discussion for two reasons: First, because it is a subject of such monumental and individual importance within itself; and Second, because there have been no marked trends nor outstanding legislation concerning it.

The 1937 legislative trends definitely indicate that the highway users must be on guard against:

- 1. Continued misuse of motor fuel taxes and motor vehicle imposts to other than highway purposes;
 - 2. Increase in gasoline taxes;
- 3. Extension of restrictive regulations over private operations.

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